

2014

Annual Report

Town of

Newbury

New Hampshire



A December sunrise over Lake Sunapee
••• Photo Courtesy Pam Bryk •••

Annual Report

**of the Selectmen, Treasurer, and other
Town Officers**

for the Town of Newbury, New Hampshire



*A family of ducks swimming into the amazing purple sunset.
Photo courtesy Travis Dezotell*

**For the Fiscal Year ending December 31, 2014
with Vital Statistics for the year 2014**

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Town Officers

Selectmen*

Richard Wright, chair, term expires 2016

Gary Budd, term expires 2015

Edward Thorson, term expires 2015

Jim Powell, resigned

Town Administrator**

Dennis J. Pavlicek

Moderator*

Nancy Marashio, term expires 2016

Assistant Moderator

Steve Winter, term expires 2016

Representative to the General Court

Karen Ebel

Dave Kidder

Town Clerk and Tax Collector*

Linda Plunkett, term expires 2015

Deputy Town Clerk and Deputy Tax Collector**

Martha von Redlich

Treasurer*

Jennifer Goin, term expires 2017

Deputy Treasurer**

Debbie Johnson

Trustees of Trust Funds*

Clayton Johnson, term expires 2016

Claire Vannatta, term expires 2015

Daniel H. Wolf, term expires 2017

Library Trustees*

Francis Perrotta, term expires 2015
Pat Sherman, term expires 2017
Elizabeth Tentarelli, term expires 2016
Brad Sherman, term expires 2016
Kevin Girard, term expires 2015

Kearsarge Regional School Board*

Newbury Member

Daniel H. Wolf, term expires 2015

Kearsarge Regional School District

Municipal Budget Committee*

Newbury Member

Robert Hemenway, term expires 2015

Supervisors of the Checklist*

Al Bachelder, term expires 2015
Clayton Johnson, term expires 2019
Sue Russell, term expires 2017

Cemetery Trustees*

Paul Riley, chair, term expires 2016
Judy Healey, term expires 2015
Charles Kennedy, term expires 2017

Planning Board*

Bruce Healey, chair, term expires 2015
Tom Vannatta, vice-chair, term expires 2016
Travis Dezotell, term expires 2015
Russell Smith, term expires 2017
Ron Williams, term expires 2017
William Weiler, term expires 2016
Deane Geddes, alternate, term expires 2016
Bob Caia, alternate, term expires 2016

Zoning Board of Adjustment*

Peter Fichter, chair, term expires 2015
Steve Russell, vice-chair, term expires 2016

Harry Seidel, term expires 2016
Dave Blohm, term expires 2016
Sue Russell, alternate, term expires 2017
Alex Azodi, alternate, term expires 2017

Conservation Commission**

Katheryn Holmes, chair, term expires 2016
Eric Unger, vice-chair, term expires 2016
Charles Crickman, term expires 2017
Deane Geddes, term expires 2015
William Annable, alternate, term expires 2017
Bob Stewart, alternate, term expires 2015

Chief of Police**

Robert Lee

Chief of Fire Department**

Henry E. Thomas, Jr.

Officer of Emergency Management**

Wayne R. Whitford

Health Officer**

Wayne R. Whitford

Code Enforcement Officer**

John Greenwood

Highway Administrator**

Calvin Prussman

Family Services Director**

Gail Bostic

Inspectors of Election/**

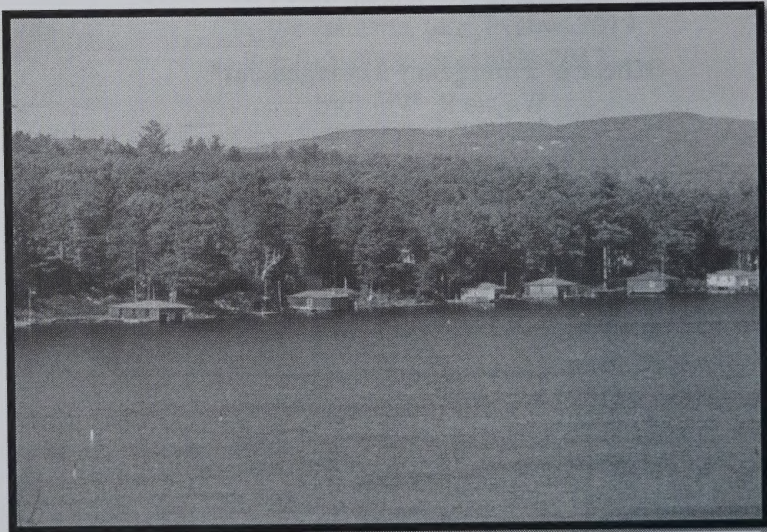
Doris Newell
Claire Thomas
Jane Moss
Marcia Surette

Cindy Peterson, alternate
Steve Russell, alternate
Margo Steeves, alternate

Forest Fire Warden***
Dave Smith

Deputy Forest Fire Wardens***
Michael Bascom
John G. Croteau
Henry E. Thomas, Jr.
Edward Thorson

- * Elected at Town Meeting
- ** Appointed by Selectmen
- *** State appointment



*A fall day at Lake Sunapee.
Photo courtesy Wayne Whitford*

A Town for all Seasons

Newbury is a quaint New England town adjacent to Lake Sunapee and Mount Sunapee. Regardless of the seasonal weather, Newbury's beauty is always shining through. Spring, summer, fall or winter – Newbury offers all who live, work and play here a host of activities and memorable experiences each and every day. Those who call Newbury their home are fortunate indeed.

Spring is the time for renewal and every year we witness the emergence of flowers throughout town, the return of feathered friends from far south, and the sound of lake water finding its voice again after the ice recedes.

Summer finds our town in its full swing of non-stop activities including swimming, fishing and boating at the lake, concerts in the harbor gazebo, nature camps, and Newbury's Old Home Day.

Autumn arrives just in time for nature's most awe-inspiring display of fall foliage. This is the season for all of us to sit back, breathe in the quiet, relax at the beach, paddle a canoe or kayak along the shore, or enjoy nature up close on one of the many hiking trails that crisscross the town.

Winter arrives encased in its own glacial splendor as we bundle up and head out for days of skating, snowmobiling, ice fishing, skiing at the mountain, or snowshoeing at Fisherfield. As the days grow shorter, we gather our friends and family closer, share meals, exchange stories, and dream of spring – reveling in the gratitude that we are part of a community that cares.

Yes, we are fortunate indeed.

Pam Bryk
Administrative Assistant

Board of Selectmen

2014 witnessed both challenges and accomplishments for the Town of Newbury. Jim Powell resigned from the select board, after being a selectman for the last 19 years. Thanks, Jim, for your service to the town! A search was made for a temporary replacement with several people applying. Interviews were held and Edward Thorson was selected to fill the seat until the 2015 election is held. Ed has quickly become a valuable resource to the community with his thorough knowledge of town operations. Ed's past tenure in his management roles at Sturm-Ruger has benefited the town greatly in his short time as selectman.

The weather provided one of the aforementioned challenges and gave the highway department another busy year dealing with lots of rain and subsequent wash-outs on a few roads. Repairs were done and minimal disruptions were encountered. A need to shim up some of these gravel roads became obvious and we have increased the highway budget to help with this maintenance.

The town voted to purchase a new road grader for the sum of \$268,000 with \$233,000 coming from the highway equipment reserve fund, and \$35,000 for the value of the old grader. The grader was purchased and was in use by midyear and it came in on budget.

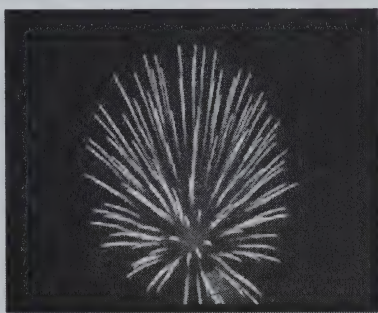
The town also voted to purchase a ¾-ton pickup truck, which was equipped with a plow, for \$34,610. This was off-set by \$7,000 which was the trade-in value of the old truck. Once again, the purchase came in on budget. The new truck is being utilized by the transfer station, recreation and sewer departments, and does duty plowing town facilities.

The town also voted to build an addition to the transfer station for a cost of \$25,000. The addition has been completed. A roof over the glass bin is in place and new overhead doors have been

installed, which will make things safer and increase energy efficiency. The project came in a little over budget.

A vote to build a second athletic field at Fisherfield for \$82,000 was passed. The field is in and grass has been planted. We are hoping that it winters well because it wasn't completed until late fall. A new well, which is part of the plan, is installed and the irrigation system is complete. We plan to have a water spigot on the outside of the garage available for community garden planting when that project is up and running. The project came in a little under budget.

It is refreshing to see the enthusiasm and dedication of the many people who volunteer their time on committees and boards. Volunteerism is the backbone of our town and all small towns throughout the state. These people work tirelessly to keep our town looking and running well and we salute you!



Fireworks over the lake on Old Home Day.

Photo courtesy Pam Bryk

*Richard Wright, Chair
Gary Budd and Edward Thorson*

Town Administrator

The year 2014 saw an uptick to our nation's economy and our community followed that trend. Local town revenues increased and we expect to see that continue in 2015.

2015 Budget

Once again, I want to thank the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee for preparing the 2015 budget. The town's net assets increased again in 2014. Our Warrant Article #2 (Budget Article) shows a decrease of nine cents from last year's budget. The Budget Article contains all of the operational expenditures for all town departments. Town revenues, such as motor vehicle registrations, are increasing steadily which helps offset property tax increases. This year's warrant articles are a mix of capital improvements for the town and deposits into trust funds for future use.

Warrant Articles #3 and #4 are again asking residents to add to the existing capital reserve and expendable trust funds. We have these articles every year and they are an integral part of the capital improvement plan and help keep the tax rate stable.

Warrant Article #5 appropriates funds for a new loader for \$158,250. The existing loader was purchased in 1998 and has seen much use in its 17 years. The article will be offset by \$34,000, which represents the trade-in of the old loader, and \$124,250 from the highway equipment capital reserve.

Warrant Article #6 looks for approval to purchase a new one-ton pickup truck with a plow and sander for \$52,577. The article will also authorize the estimated trade-in for the existing 2008 one-ton truck for \$8000, and the withdrawal of \$44,277 from the highway equipment capital reserve.

Warrant Article #7 asks permission for the town to appropriate \$60,000 for a concept study and geotechnical study for new safety services facilities.

Warrant Article #8 asks the town to appropriate \$15,000 for a fireproof document storage room in the town office basement. This will safeguard town records that are required to be archived.

Warrant Article #9 authorizes the trustees of trust funds to pay for capital reserve fund management services from the income of the capital reserve funds.

Warrant Article #10 is a petitioned article to make revisions to the town fireworks ordinance.

Warrant Article #11 is a housekeeping article that the town does each year. It appropriates the sale of cemetery lots from the previous year into the cemetery expendable trust fund.

Warrant Article #12 is a petitioned article to appropriate \$150,000 for the Blodgett Landing Sewer Fund.

If all of the recommended articles pass, there will be a decrease of one cent under the 2014 town tax rate. The town has been able to keep our tax rate steady over the past several years, thanks to the assistance of town employees and the residents.

This year in the town office we have welcomed some new faces and some familiar faces. Pam Bryk joined our team as administrative assistant after filling in previously. She has jumped right in and this year's annual report is an indication of the quality of professionalism she brings to our staff. Patricia Sweet MacDonald has rejoined us as land use coordinator and assessing assistant which has been reclassified to a part-time position due to a reduction in the work load at this time. She also has jumped right in and it seems like she was never gone. John Greenwood is the new face of the Code Enforcement Officer. John started in December and has stepped right into his position. You can find him here (or on a scheduled site visit) Monday, Wednesday or Friday. One more new face is MaryEllen Wright, who is our new attendant at the transfer station. MaryEllen is an asset to have working here.

Many thanks to the Newbury Beautification Committee (NBC) for planting new bulbs last year and for bulbs that will appear this year in the Route 103 triangle. It seems every year NBC comes up with new improvements to enhance the beauty of our town.

I would like to offer my appreciation again to our town employees, elected and appointed officials of the town, and the countless volunteers who devote their time, talent, and dedication to this community. Their collective efforts make Newbury the special place it is.

Dennis J. Pavlicek
Town Administrator



View from Sunset Hill.
Photo courtesy Pam Bryk

Town Clerk

Debits

Motor Vehicle Permits Issued	\$406,075.24
Dog Licenses Issued	3,556.00
UCC Filings	330.00
Boat Registrations	8,942.39
Vital Records	1,305.00
Miscellaneous	154.90
TOTAL DEBITS	\$420,363.53

Credits

Motor Vehicle Permits Issued	\$406,075.24
Dog Licenses Issued	3,556.00
UCC Filings	330.00
Boat Registrations	8,942.39
Vital Records	1,305.00
Miscellaneous	154.90
TOTAL CREDITS	\$420,363.53

Linda Plunkett
Town Clerk



Snow-covered trails at Mount Sunapee.
Photo Courtesy Maureen Rosen

Treasurer General Fund 2014 Receipts

Received from Tax Collector	\$ 11,317,234.72
Received from Town Clerk	\$ 420,363.23
Received from Selectmen's Office	\$ 571,673.01
Interest	\$ 471.41
Total	\$ 12,309,742.37
Transfers to/from Investment Accts.	\$ 45,315.44
Beginning Balance January 1, 2014	\$ 2,617,841.10
Total Receipts & Beginning Balance	\$ 14,972,898.91
Selectmen's Orders Paid	(\$ 12,335,264.80)
Balance on December 31, 2014	\$ 2,637,634.11

Jennifer J. Goin
Treasurer



Newbury's fire rescue vehicles.
Photo courtesy Pam Bryk

Investment Accounts

NH Public Deposit Investment Pool

Balance January 1, 2014	\$ 1,279.00
Plus: Interest	\$ 0.00
Plus: Deposits	\$ 2,690.00
Less: Transfers	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
Balance December 31, 2014	\$ 3,969.00

Blodgett Sewer Money Market Account

Balance January 1, 2014	\$ 117,953.47
Plus: Deposits	\$ 21.85
Plus: Interest	\$ 0.00
Less: Transfers	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
Balance December 31, 2014	\$ 117,975.32

Conservation Commission

Balance January 1, 2014	\$ 151,995.90
Plus: Interest	\$ 14.43
Less: Transfers	\$ 110,000.00
Plus: Transfers	<u>\$ 32,700.00</u>
Balance December 31, 2014	\$ 74,710.33

Recreation Revolving Fund

Balance January 1, 2014	\$ 10,414.09
Plus: Interest	\$ 9.89
Less: Transfers	\$ 23,847.39
Plus: Transfers	<u>\$ 18,048.50</u>
Balance December 31, 2014	\$ 4,625.09

Lake Sunapee Savings Account

Balance January 1, 2014	\$ 134.57
Plus: Interest	\$ 0.00
Less: Transfers	\$ 0.00
Plus: Transfers	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
Balance December 31, 2014	\$ 134.57

Report of the Trust Funds of the Town of Newbury, NH December 31, 2014

DATE OF FUND CREATION	TRUST NAME	PURPOSE	HOW INVESTED	% OF TOTAL	PRINCIPAL				INCOME				GRAND TOTAL 12/31/14	
					BALANCE 01/01/14	NEW FINES	GAIN/LOSS	EXPEND 12/31/14	BALANCE 01/01/14	GROSS INCOME	MUTANT FEES	EXPENDED YEAR		
Cemetery Funds:														
Various	Various Cemetery Fund Names	Perpetual Care	Stocks & Bonds	4.87%	13,309.79	-	1.18	-	23,371.31	64.93	-	-	38,376.21	
Total Cemetery Funds:					4.81%	13,309.79	1.18	-	23,371.31	64.93	-	-	38,376.21	
Library Funds:														
1954	James J. Toison	Library	Stocks & Bonds	0.37%	2,992.56	-	0.08	-	0.55	4.31	-	10.53	4.11	
1966	Sturges Powers	Library	Stocks & Bonds	0.22%	1,000.00	-	0.03	-	-	1.47	-	-	1.27	
2000	Patricia W. Seashield	Library	Stocks & Bonds	1.04%	15,592.69	-	0.46	-	5.66	23.14	-	(5.66)	25.14	
2002	Whitney Library Fund	Library	Stocks & Bonds	0.59%	4,250.00	-	0.14	-	1.37	7.06	-	-	7.08	
2004	Marian Rural Fund	Library	Stocks & Bonds	3.86%	31,306.00	-	0.93	-	10.99	51.57	-	(10.99)	51.57	
2006	Perkins Library Fund	Library	Stocks & Bonds	3.89%	31,250.04	-	0.95	-	10.96	51.49	-	(10.96)	51.49	
Total Library Funds:					10.80%	86,508.69	2.59	-	29.45	141.15	-	(29.45)	141.15	
Capital Reserve Funds:														
1962	Town of Newbury	Highway Equip	Money Market	17.64%	361,866.85	110,000.00	4.27	(2,300,000.00)	-	46.13	-	-	46.13	
1971	Town of Newbury	Fire Equip	Money Market	29.34%	176,777.13	40,000.00	7.10	-	321.20	34.04	-	-	156.14	
1984	Town of Newbury	Street Sweeper	Money Market	1.54%	10,097.11	-	0.27	-	2,282.51	2.10	-	-	2,282.61	
1985	Town of Newbury	Ambulance	Money Market	5.09%	41,497.18	5,000.00	1.44	-	3,373.04	8.26	-	-	3,381.30	
2002	Town of Newbury	Police Department Facility	Money Market	0.01%	33,305.89	11,000.00	1.36	(64,800.00)	937.77	6.69	-	-	964.47	
1986	Town of Newbury	Brakes	Money Market	0.05%	408.20	-	0.01	-	-	1.63	-	-	1.63	
1997	Town of Newbury													
Total Capital Reserve Funds:					54.87%	423,352.86	181,000.00	14.55	6,935.42	98.10	-	-	7,033.55	
General Trust Funds:														
1977	Town of Newbury	Duck Repairs	Money Market	9.26%	69,555.19	12,000.00	2.37	(7,400.84)	21.87	12.50	-	-	34.35	
1994	Town of Newbury	Town Bridge	Money Market	5.16%	82,832.52	10,000.00	1.71	(32,137.20)	102.80	9.56	-	-	112.35	
1995	Town of Newbury	Office Equip	Money Market	2.07%	27,650.47	6,000.00	1.01	(16,973.00)	8.12	5.52	-	-	13.67	
2002	Town of Newbury	Milford	Money Market	0.28%	8,079.23	-	0.34	(5,000.00)	1.41	0.14	-	-	1.55	
2004	Town of Newbury	Cum gratia Award	Money Market	1.58%	15,562.83	8,000.00	0.45	(3,860.25)	3.50	7.34	-	-	7.05	
2006	Town of Newbury	Fire Dept. - PPE	Money Market	11.41%	80,000.00	40,000.00	2.76	(50,000.00)	1,883.24	16.21	-	-	1,900.00	
Total General Trust Funds:					29.81%	284,039.29	88,000.00	15.50	2,023.41	48.30	-	-	2,071.71	
GRAND TOTALS:					100%	910,287.54	275,800.00	26.82	32,359.27	550.41	-	-	32,689.65	

Tax Collector's Report

Summary of Tax Accounts Fiscal Year Ended

12/31/2014

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

For the Municipality of Newbury Year Ending 2014

DEBITS

UNCOLLECTED TAXES BEG. OF YEAR*		Levy for Year of this Report	PRIOR LEVIES (PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)		
			2013	2012	2011
Property Taxes	#3110		437,256.71		
Resident Taxes	#3180				
Land Use Change	#3120				
Yield Taxes	#3185		173.54		
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187				
Sewer Charges	#3189		24,901.93		
Property Tax Credit Balance**	< >				
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance**	< >				
TAXES COMMITTED THIS YEAR			For DRA Use Only		
Property Taxes	#3110	10,848,950.00			
Resident Taxes	#3180				
Land Use Change	#3120	10,097.00			
Yield Taxes	#3185	2,439.27			
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187	347.70			
Sewer Charges	#3189	257,472.00			
Tax Lien Costs		1,192.00			
OVERPAYMENT REFUNDS					
Property Taxes	#3110	3,888.00	3,339.00		
Resident Taxes	#3180				
Land Use Change	#3120		10,000.00		
Yield Taxes	#3185				
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187				
Insufficient Funds Fee		75.00			
Interest - Late Tax	#3190	6,234.42	26,813.24		
Resident Tax Penalty	#3190				
TOTAL DEBITS		11,130,695.39	502,484.42		

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

For the Municipality of Newbury Year Ending 2014

CREDITS

REMITTED TO TREASURER	Levy for Year of This Report	PRIOR LEVIES (PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)		
		2013	2012	2011
Property Taxes	10,350,051.61	436,449.43		
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change	5,200.00	10,000.00		
Yield Taxes	2,266.90	173.54		
Interest (include lien conversion)	6,229.31	26,457.71		
Penalties				
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	347.70			
Sewer Charges	224,016.77	24,851.93		
Tax Lien Costs	1,192.00			
Insufficient Funds Fee		50.00		
DISCOUNTS ALLOWED				
ABATEMENTS MADE				
Property Taxes		4,146.28		
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change				
Yield Taxes				
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd				
Utility Charges				
Interest		355.53		
CURRENT LEVY DEEDED	466.00			
UNCOLLECTED TAXES - END OF YEAR #1080				
Property Taxes	502,320.39			
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change	4,897.00			
Yield Taxes	172.37			
Interest & Costs for Insufficient Funds				
Sewer Charges	33,535.34			
Property Tax Credit Balance**	< >			
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance**				
TOTAL CREDITS	11,130,695.39	502,484.42	0.00	0.00

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

For the Municipality of _____ Year Ending _____

DEBITS

	Last Year's Levy	PRIOR LEVIES (PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)		
	2013	2012	2011	2010
Unredeemed Liens Balance - Beg. Of Year		153,164.98	58,367.35	
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year	176,073.34			
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	2,643.57	13,032.78	21,778.23	
Tax Lien Costs	1,730.60			
Insufficient Funds Fee	25.00			
TOTAL DEBITS	180,471.91	166,997.76	80,145.58	0.00

CREDITS

REMITTED TO TREASURER		Last Year's Levy	PRIOR LEVIES (PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)		
		2013	2012	2011	2010
Redemptions		72,756.85	64,124.34	54,759.69	
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	#3190	3,204.54	13,356.13	21,747.23	
Insufficient Funds - E.O.Y.		25.00			
Unredeemed Interest & Costs - E.O.Y.		1,156.03	463.65		
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens					
Liens Deeded to Municipality (includes costs)		515.90	505.18	539.59	
Unredeemed Liens Balance - End of Year	#1110	102,813.59	88,546.46	3,099.07	
TOTAL CREDITS		180,471.91	166,997.76	80,145.58	0.00

Newbury Assessor's Office

The Assessor's office would like to welcome back Patricia Sweet-MacDonald as the assessing coordinator for the Town of Newbury. Previously, Patricia served in this position from February 2005 to June 2007. She was an asset then, and will continue to be so in the coming years. We are very glad to have her back.

The office has had a stable year in terms of abatements, building permit work, and other related duties. We completed a revaluation in New London this past year and spent more time there than usual. In 2015 we are scheduled to complete a revaluation in Sunapee and one in Newbury in 2016. For 2015 here in Newbury, we will be finishing up the Current Use Review, Elderly Exemptions, Veteran Credits and other energy exemptions. If you have Current Use land or are receiving an exemption or tax credit you may receive a letter from us as part of our audit process.

There were 39 valid (arm's length) sales from October 1, 2013 to September 30, 2014 (equalization period). It appears our overall assessment ratio has gone down, which means values on average have gone up. There are presently 39 single-family homes on the market as opposed to 41 in 2013, which is considered to be a low inventory. The expectations are that, with such a low inventory, prices should rise somewhat. The upper end of the market is quite stable with only 5 listings over \$1,000,000, which is exactly the same as last year at this time.

One of our goals is to educate the public on an on-going basis. We want to make sure that property owners are being treated fairly and are receiving answers to their questions.

Your taxes in Newbury are based on how the total pie (state education, local school, county and municipal budgets) is divided based on assessed values. The assessment function is a totally separate process from the budget process. We are regularly monitoring the relationship between assessment and

sales prices. The goal is to keep all classes of property (low value, high value, waterfront, non-waterfront and vacant land) at a similar assessment-to-sale-price relationship. The preliminary 2014 equalization results indicate waterfront properties are performing better overall as opposed to low value properties. There are pockets within the waterfront sub-market that appear to need adjustments both in the upward and downward directions.

Our on-line mapping service is available free to the public and is located on the town website at www.newburynh.org under the Assessing Department. The maps are interactive and allow users to create abutter lists, view 2010 aerial photography, check assessment records, measure areas, etc. We believe that once you use the maps, combined with the assessment database, they will be an invaluable tool. The on-line mapping service also allows taxpayers to print their assessment cards as if they were printed at Town Hall. We also attach deeds, plans and other important documents for you to view and then print at your home or office.

We are regularly monitored by the NH Department of Revenue Administration for compliance with the laws, rules, regulations and assessment standards. Our goal is to exceed those standards and produce an exceptional assessment product for the citizens of Newbury.

In conclusion, Kris McAllister and I would like to thank the residents of Newbury for their cooperation throughout the year. We would also like to thank our staff and fellow employees at the Newbury Town Office for all the support they provide, including Patricia Sweet-MacDonald, assessing coordinator, Deb Prussman, financial director, and Pam Bryk, administrative assistant. Many thanks to Dennis Pavlicek, town administrator, on whom I rely for guidance and assistance on an on-going basis. All these individuals have many other responsibilities besides helping the Assessing Department and they should be recognized for the multitude of additional tasks they are asked

to perform on a regular basis. They ensure that Town of Newbury operates in an efficient and effective manner.

I look forward to a cooperative and amicable relationship for many years to come. If you have any questions about how assessments are done or concerns about your particular assessment, please feel free to call or stop by the town office. Also, please take the opportunity to review your property record file every few years or, at a minimum, your property record card which contains the information used to calculate your assessment.

Normand Bernaiche, Chief Assessor
Kristen McAllister, Assessor



Veterans Hall by the pond.
Photo Courtesy Maureen Rosen

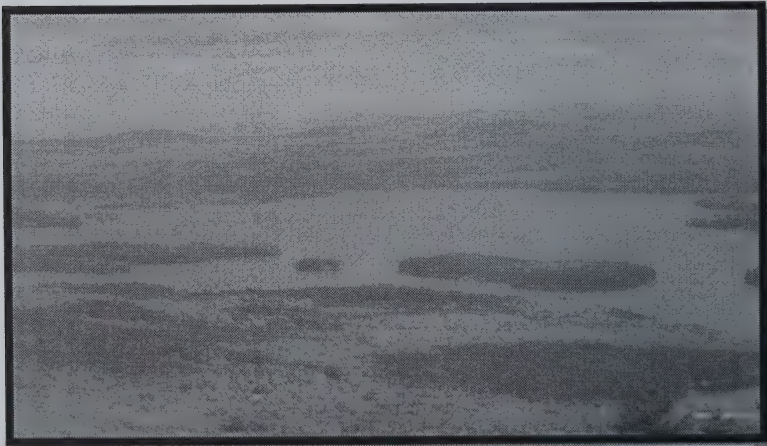
**Summary Inventory of Valuation
2014 Assessed Valuation**

Value of Land Only			
	Acres	Valuation	Totals
Current Use	12,070	\$616,413	
Residential	5,357	\$360,319,340	
Commercial/Industrial	1,447	\$8,476,660	
Farm Land	2	\$654	
Total of Land	18,876		\$369,413,067
Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable	2,327	(\$35,582,236)	
Value of Buildings Only			
Residential		\$307,253,160	
Manufactured Housing		\$288,600	
Commercial/Industrial		\$22,852,340	
Farm Structures	12	\$87,300	
Total of Buildings			\$330,481,400
Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable		(\$11,284,200)	
Public Utilities			
Electric			\$5,000,000
Water			
Valuation Before Exemptions			\$704,894,467
Blind Exemptions (Number: 0)		\$0	\$0
Elderly/Disabled Exemptions (Number: 4)		\$375,000	\$375,000
Wood Heating/Wind/Solar Exemptions (Number: 11)		\$50,000	\$50,000
Total Dollar Amount of Exemptions			\$425,000
Net Valuation on Which Tax Rate is Computed			\$704,469,467

Revenues Received From Payments in Lieu of Taxes		\$21,821	
State and Federal Forest Land Recreation and/or Flood Control Land		\$500	

Tax Credit

	Limit	Number	Tax Credit
Totally and Permanently Disabled	\$2,000	5	\$10,000
Veterans, Spouses, and Widows	\$ 500	124	\$62,000
Total War Service Credits		129	\$72,000



*View of Lake Sunapee from Mount Sunapee.
Photo courtesy Wayne Whitford*

Inventory of Town Property

Location	Assessed Value	Use
Newbury Traffic Circle	\$ 31,800	Cemetery
365 Bowles Road	2,589,100	Sewer treatment lagoons
Chestnut Road	1,700	Vacant land
Park 10 Road	1,800	Vacant land
937 Route 103	915,400	Town Office/Library
Route 103A	403,600	Lakeside Cemetery
Off Route 103	1,100	Old railroad bed
952 Route 103	768,200	Safety Services building
967 Route 103	567,600	Parking and docks
977 Route 103	612,500	Beach/train station
Route 103	1,098,100	Info booth/caboose
Lakeview Avenue	17,700	Vacant land
Stoney Brook Road	20,500	Bean Cemetery
Baker Hill Road	23,800	Baker Hill Cemetery
Off Chalk Pond Road	500	Vacant land
Chalk Pond Road	32,300	Vacant land
Blodgett Brook Road	33,900	Vacant land
Old County Road South	17,400	Vacant land
Bartlett Road	38,100	Vacant land
Off Province Road	30,100	Cemetery
Old Post Road	591,200	Fishersfield Park
Route 103	6,800	Vacant land
Route 103/Colburn Farm Rd.	4,800	Vacant land
Mountain Road/Route 103	46,800	Vacant land
Newell Road	29,800	Marshall Cemetery
Pleasant View/South Roads	32,900	Booth Sherman Cemetery
20 Sutton Road	205,900	Old highway shed
Sutton Road	1,000	Simon's Cemetery
Sutton Road	19,000	Vacant land
Pleasant View Road	13,800	Vacant land
Stone Wall Lane	5,000	Vacant land
44 Pine Street	88,000	Blodgett fire station
7 Sutton Road	107,000	Storage shed
133 Village Road	301,600	Sherman Hall/Grange Hall

Southgate Road	12,100	Fire pond
Washington Street	94,900	Town park
Washington Street	94,900	Town park
201 Old Post Road	115,000	Transfer station
Brookside Road	29,100	Vacant land
33 Lake Avenue	185,900	Blodgett docks
Skytop Drive	21,200	Vacant land
50 South Road	843,500	Highway garage
TOTAL	\$10,055,400	

Note: Vacant land includes dry hydrant locations, easements, retention ponds, etc.



*A fall day at the caboose in the harbor.
Photo courtesy Wayne Whitford*

Budget Committee

“Economy is a distributive virtue and consists not in saving, but in spending.”

-Edmund Burke

The town Budget Committee is responsible for the preparation of the town budget and its attendant warrant articles for the ensuing fiscal year. The Committee meets biweekly, in public session, as a portion of the regularly scheduled Board of Selectmen (BOS) meetings from mid-October until the public hearing in February. It is comprised of the BOS, the town administrator, and three appointed Newbury residents.

The Committee thoroughly reviews the individual line-item budget proposals as submitted by each of the municipal department heads, boards, trustees, and commissions. In most cases, the department head or representative chairperson is present during the scheduled budget proposal and review session to provide clarity and rationale. During the procedure, the budget proposals undergo a comparative analysis with previous and current budgets. The proposals may or may not be altered by the consensus of the Committee. A properly noticed public hearing on the 2015 proposed budget and warrant articles was held on February 9, 2015. The final budget and warrant articles were then approved by the BOD for presentation at the annual town meeting.

This year the Committee made an earnest effort to create a practical budget by integrating the efficient fiscal management practices of the past year with the projected future needs of the town. Thanks to the concerted efforts of all involved, the Committee was able to create a low impact and sustainable general operations budget proposal for 2015.

The 2015 proposed budget along with all monetary warrant articles will reflect a projected tax rate of \$3.83 or -0.35% above that in 2014. Therefore, the Budget Committee recommends passage of the budget and warrant articles as submitted by the Board of Selectmen.

Interesting Facts about Warrant Articles:

- Warrant Articles list an agenda of items to be voted on by those present at town meetings. Items may vary significantly, from the annual operation budget to adjustment of by-laws, zoning ordinances, and anything that may legally come before the meeting.
- The 2015 Warrant Articles include: Article 7, a concept study for Safety Services Facilities; Article 8, a fire-proof document storage room; Article 9, an authorization to the Trustees of the Trust Funds; and, Article 10, changes to the town ordinance on fireworks.
- Each year the voters are asked to authorize an amount of money to be placed in capital reserve funds for future purchases as part of an ongoing Capital Improvements Program (CIP). The CIP identifies and prioritizes capital improvement needs and recommends a schedule for funding and purchase or construction of those improvements. It acts as a savings account for future needs. This year, several of the proposed warrant articles will request appropriations from those funds, i.e. Article 5, for the purchase of a loader and Article 6, for the purchase of a one-ton pickup truck from the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund.

Tom Vannatta, Richard Wright, Gary Budd, Edward Thorson, Dennis Pavlicek, Ivor Freeman, and Joy Nowell

Newbury Public Library

“The only thing that you absolutely have to know, is the location of the library.”

- Albert Einstein

Newbury Public Library Board of Trustees Report

The Trustees had a most exciting year, working with our new and continuing staff to extend hours and services to meet the needs of patrons while implementing sections of our strategic plan. Most impressive was the number of events we were able to offer and the huge number of people who attended.

- Adult events totaled 57 with 811 attendees.
- Children events (pre-school through middle school) totaled 97 with 1,010 youngsters and 561 adults attending.

In 2014 we experimented with additional open hours in response to patron requests in 2013. We found that demand for additional afternoon and evening hours dropped off in August. However, we received requests for more morning hours and responded accordingly beginning in October. The result was a surge in patron visits and checkouts. Our on-duty staff hours included Sunday 12-noon to 5 p.m., Monday 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Saturday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. We closed on Fridays, so the Friday evening children's programs have shifted to after-school hours. The school bus now stops at the playground to drop off children for our after-school programs!

Our new assistant director, Lea McBain, made possible the increase in children's programs and the extended coverage. Lea's part-time schedule allowed her to increase services and programs to youth while assisting the director in all aspects of library operations. We are very impressed with how Lea stepped

up to those challenges; she has a devoted following among the school-aged crowd who come to her STEM and arts programs.

Our budget for 2015 includes a significant increase in the salary line to allow Lea to become a full-time staff member, which is part of our strategic plan. Lea and director Rosie Johnson have made a great team, and our reference librarian Shannon Storm continues to be the go-to person for many patrons seeking information on nearly everything.

Please stop in the library or check our website www.newburynhlibrary.net to find out about school vacation week programs, after-school activities, and all of our other programs for families and adults. Visit the library often and remember, it is your library.

Library Trustees

Liz Tentarelli, Chair

Patricia Sherman, Treasurer

Brad Sherman, Secretary

Kevin Girard, Frank Perrotta, Members

Director's Report

The library would like to thank the community for the generous support we received and for their continued patronage. The library had 1,842 registered patrons and served 230 other public libraries through the New Hampshire interlibrary loan program.

In 2014, patron visits totaled 16,433 and checkouts totaled 23,257. In addition to physical items, 1,731 downloadable eBooks and audio books were checked out by Newbury residents using the NH state downloadable database. The library loaned 506 items and borrowed 1,023 items through the interlibrary loan program.

At year's end, the library had 16,705 items on its shelves. During the year, 1,071 items were added and 1,018 withdrawn. The collection includes 40 periodical titles, 1,273 videos/DVDs, and 870 audio books.

2014 Programs

Guest Author Events

New Hampshire native and master stonemason **Kevin Gardner**, author of *The Granite Kiss*, gave an informal talk about New England stone walls. Gardner addressed how and why New England came to acquire these walls, the ways in which they and other dry stone structures were built, how their styles emerged and changed over time, and their significance to our unique landscape. To the delight of the audience, Gardner built a miniature wall as he spoke.



Kevin Gardner.

Photo courtesy Rosie Johnson

Benjamin Kilham, author of *Out on a Limb* and *Among the Bears*, has been studying and researching wild black bear behavior for nearly two decades. Kilham presented his ground breaking and often heartwarming work with New Hampshire's black bears to a large enthusiastic audience!

Kasey Mathews read from her award-winning memoir *Preemie: Lessons in Love, Life, and Motherhood*. Mathews' book won the NH's 2014 Reader's Choice for Literary Non-Fiction. There was a discussion and book signing after the reading.

A group of 23 outdoor enthusiasts joined New Hampshire resident and author **Dan Szczesny** for a gentle hike up Sunset Hill. After the hike, Szczesny was joined by his hiking companion Janelle (age 11). She explained the background

behind the title of his book, *The Adventures of Buffalo and Tough Cookie*. Szczesny narrated a stunning slide show and talked about how the two accomplished completing the “52 with a View” White Mountains of New Hampshire list.

Cultural Programs

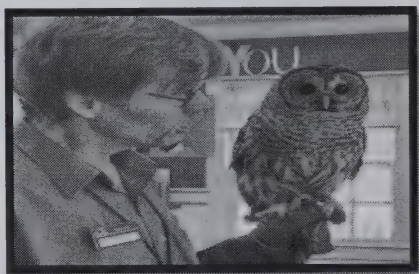
Poetry - Newbury poet Dianalee Velie acted as moderator of our monthly Newbury Poets group. In

April, Dianalee hosted a poetry reading and open microphone with New Hampshire’s Poet Laureate Alice B. Fogel. This group meets the second Monday of every month. New members are welcome.

Women's Rights: Are We There Yet? - Liz Tentarelli, president of the NH League of Women Voters, reviewed the historical context of the struggle for women's rights, including its origins in 1848, the suffrage movement of the early 1900's, and the 1970's fight over the Equal Rights Amendment. Liz reminded us of the women and issues that led up to our current status: an all-female Congressional delegation from New Hampshire, a female Governor and State Supreme Court justice, and most women still earning 83 cents for every dollar that a man earns.

Rally Round the Flag: Stories and Songs from the Civil War Era - Woody Pringle and Marek Bennet brought our local and national history to life with the songs, artwork, photographs, and stories from 150 years ago. This interactive and moving presentation touched all who attended!

Antarctica! - Newbury resident and adventurer Susan Carl shared a slide presentation and personal experiences of her recent trip to the frozen continent.



*Squam Lake brings an owl to the library.
Photo courtesy Rosie Johnson*

Coffee House - Folk Singer/Song Writer Michael Troy was a real crowd pleaser with an evening of soulful ballads and fantastic fingerpicking!

Music - An evening of “swing” with Swing a Cat. This quartet of talented women sang and played wonderful music from the 20s, 30s and 40s. The audience was totally enamored!

Reading Discussions

Our reading discussion group is open to everyone and is generally held on Monday evenings. Copies of the books are available in advance at the library. The books discussed in 2014 were:

January: Favorite Winter Read

February: *Nobody's Fool* by Richard Russo

March: *Shoemaker's Wife* by Adriana Trigiani

April: *The Works of Maxine Kumin*

May: *The Namesake* by Jhumpa Lahiri

June: *State of Wonder* by Ann Patchett

July: *Arms and the Man* by George Bernard Shaw

August: *The Fallen Angel* by Daniel Silva

September: *The All Girl Filling Station's Last Reunion* by Fannie Flagg. Newbury resident Brenda Lumsden was the special guest speaker and shared her experience serving in the US Coast Guard Women's Reserve (the SPARS) during World War II.

October: *Penelopiad* by Margaret Atwood

November: *The Race* by Richard North Patterson

December: *Mayflower* by Nathaniel Philbrick

Wellness Programs

Barre Ballet Fitness: This 6-week class taught by Kelley Sheehan combined dance and Pilates. The class was designed to strengthen, stretch and tone, focusing on functional core stability. Set to great upbeat music, the class left participants wanting to dance out the door.

Hatha Yoga - This 5-week slow-paced class was taught by Laura Hansen. The class was open to everyone and was offered free-of-charge for Veterans.

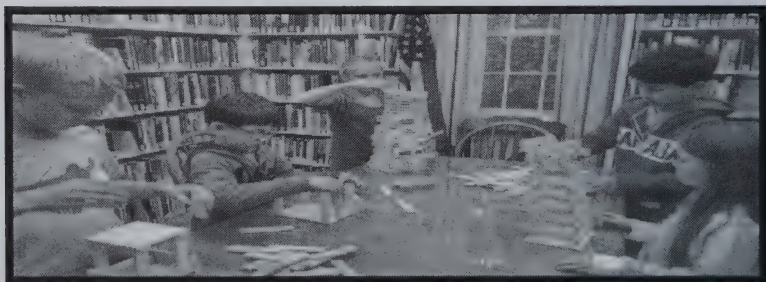
No Fret Cooking - An Evening of Food and Music with cookbook author Marilyn Carter and jazz guitarist Steve Carter. Marilyn discussed her cookbook and shared some recipes. Samples were enjoyed by all.

Paint Party - Friends, food and painting – there is no better way to take some stress out of your life! A room full of would-be artists participated in this unique party and left with a one-of-a-kind creation!

Remember! - Free Blood Pressure and Blood Sugar Screening Program. Lake Sunapee Region VNA is in the library on the 4th Tuesday of every month. The VNA also held a Flu Shot Clinic in September. It was attended by 64 people.

Children and Young Adult Programing

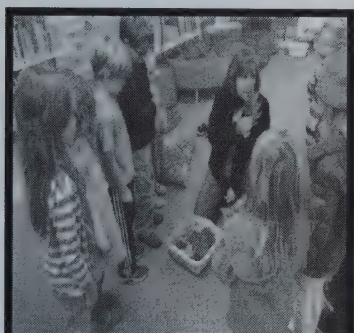
Preschool Story Time: Preschool story time was held on 46 Wednesdays in 2014. The average attendance was 10 children and seven adults. Children's librarian Jane Moss and favorite puppet Teddy continue to inspire our youngest patrons to become lifelong readers who love their library. Over the past year, the children enjoyed listening to stories, playing with flannel boards, singing songs, engaging in finger play, participating in movement activities, and making simple crafts designed to extend the stories with a hands-on activity.



*Weekly group building at the library.
Photo courtesy Rosie Johnson*

The library has an inclusive story time with parents, toddlers and preschoolers together, as well as baby brothers and sisters. Families often move on from the library story time to outdoor activities such as skating or skiing in winter, a brown bag lunch at the nearby Velie Memorial Playground, or a splash at the Newbury Harbor in summer. This group welcomes new families. Come join us!

Fantastic Fridays: In January, the library experimented with evening hours on Fridays, and ran youth programming for ages 7-12 during these hours, called Fantastic Fridays. Fantastic Friday ran for 23 weeks, with programs ranging from arts and crafts, music, cultural exploration, science, and Lego Club. Fantastic Fridays ended in August.



*Afternoon adventure club at the library.
Photo courtesy Lea McBain*

School Vacations: February vacation had two programs for grades K-5: Squam Lake Natural Science Center; and the Lake Sunapee Protective Association (LSPA). Squam Lake brought us several nocturnal animals that are native to New Hampshire, and the LSPA taught us about animals in winter.

April vacation had two programs for grades K-5: Storyteller Michael Caduto, who told us several earth-themed stories in honor of Earth Day; and the McAuliffe-Shepard Discovery Center, which presented an interactive program on the International Space Station.

Fizz, Boom, Read!: 2014's summer reading program for children grades K-5 was called Fizz, Boom, Read, and focused on a science theme. It ran Wednesday afternoons starting in July and ending in early August. The library hosted a visit from Mad Science, built paper rockets with the help of the McAuliffe-

Shepard Discovery Center, learned about rocks and minerals, states of matter and properties of water, and became amateur ecologists with the creation of their own nature journals. Teens had two drop-in events: a showing of the hit movie “Divergent”; and, an evening of laser tag. The library also ran a summer reading contest and had a total of 49 children participate, with over 353 books read.

Fall Afterschool Programs: Two afterschool programs started in October: the Afternoon Adventure Club for grades K-2; and the Tinker Club for grades 3-5. The Afternoon Adventure Club focused on reading, crafts, and play, and each week had a theme to engage students, from jungles to building to space. The Tinker Club focused on STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts, and mathematics). Students built miniature robots, engineered boats out of tinfoil and marble runs using everyday objects, explored properties of water in hands-on experiments, and tried their hand at Rube Goldberg Machines.

Family Events:

Families were invited to come and create unique crafts together at several afternoon and evening workshops. These workshops included pumpkin painting, needle felting, gift wrap making, and gingerbread house creation.

December Family Fun Day: The day started off with family Gingerbread House making followed by master storyteller Odds Bodkin telling tales of love and giving for Christmas and Chanukah. The day ended with the annual town tree lighting and a visit from Santa!



Odds Bodkin, master storyteller.

Photo courtesy Pam Bryk

Volunteers

Volunteers helped with many aspects of library operations and we salute them for their dedication and support. For the year, volunteers contributed over 190 hours of labor, or about 3.5 hours per week.

Volunteers in 2014 were Dave Barden, Kris Cary, Cheron Barton, Bob Bergeron, Judy Brown, Lisa Correa, Jean Cole, Susan Crickman, Therese Dyke, Don Falkowski, Julia Falkowski, Paula Falkowski, Susan Giaccotto, Kevin Girard, Judy Hale, Stu Hale, Ashlyn Henderson, Sarah Henderson, Dianne Heller, Heather Jacques, Greg Johnson, Nancy Marashio, Jane Moss, Mike Moss, Bill Moulton, Liz Moulton, Matthew Noyer, Mickey Noyer, Frank Perrotta, Linda Porter, Janet Rucker, Ken Tentarelli, Liz Tentarelli, Mark Tentarelli, Sharon Tentarelli and Dianalee Velie.



*Paint Party at the library.
Photo courtesy Rosie Johnson*

Wireless Internet Access

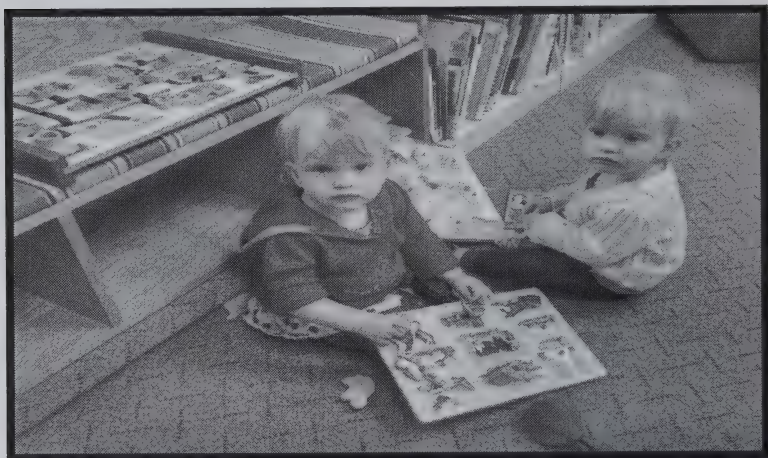
Wireless access is available on library computers, patrons' laptops, and other electronic devices.

Computer Lessons

Ken Tentarelli of Newbury offered free individualized computer and Internet lessons.

Disabled Access

The library is wheelchair accessible and can deliver materials to the homebound upon request.



*Nora and June Moore at story hour.
Photo courtesy Rosie Johnson*

Friends of Newbury Public Library, Inc.

The Friends are a 501- c (3) organization that meets quarterly at the library. All money that is raised goes directly to support the library. This includes funding all programs, enhancing the book budget, purchasing all DVDs, and supporting the technology budget. We had another successful year in fundraising due to our annual community appeal letter. We can't thank you enough for your contributions. Additionally, we raised more funds through our book and bake sale on Memorial Day weekend and at Old Home Day.

From guest authors Kevin Gardner, Benjamin Kilham and Kasey Matthews to folk singer/song writer Michael Troy and an evening of "swing" with Swing a Cat, the library programs were well-attended and enjoyed. These and other programs, including the children's summer reading program, were all funded through your donations. We look forward to another

year of enjoyment at the library and hope to see you at one of our meetings!

Friends

Liz Moulton, President

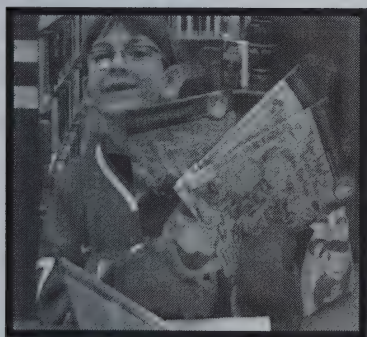
Mike Moss, Treasurer

Paula Falkowski, Secretary

Heather Jacques, Catherine Feeney, Mickey Noyer, Directors

Please visit your library. The trustees and staff invite the Newbury community to use the library. Most services are free. For more information, call 763-5803, or go to the library's web site at <http://newburylibrary.net/>.

Rosie Johnson
Director



Maël Jacques with new books from the library.

Photo courtesy Lea McBain



Rémi Jacques reading at the library.

Photo courtesy Rosie Johnson

Newbury Historical Society

It was another busy year for the Newbury Historical Society (NHS) as we moved forward with both new and longterm projects and programs. NHS continued to grow and more volunteers have stepped forward, allowing us to pursue multiple projects.

The annual meeting was held on June 29, 2014. The minutes of the 2013 meeting were accepted as read. The treasurer's report showed the following account balances for the fiscal year ending May 31, 2014:

Conservation Fund, \$974.20

Fund for Life Members, \$5,000.00

General Fund, \$16,095.46

Deane Geddes presented the nominating committee's slate of Claire Vannatta and Ashley Geddes. A second to the motion followed and all were elected unanimously.

Barbara Steward decided not to run for the seat that she previously held for 19 years. She was the immediate past president and steady contributor over the years. She will be missed.

Following the annual meeting, another board seat became vacant. We now have two vacant seats. We will welcome anyone who has an interest in Newbury history and is willing to make a contribution of time and energy.

History Committee

The NHS History Committee is composed of a group of people who enjoy researching the history of Newbury. Committee members include Deane Geddes, chair, and volunteers Evelyn Davis, Ashley Geddes, Paula Falkowski, Chuck Crickman, Craig MacKenzie and Bill Weiler. Their research goals include a survey of cellar holes and mill sites, and the historical documentation of the South Newbury Village, from which a self-guided walking tour is expected. The committee also

researches and answers specific questions. New members are welcome to join us for our monthly meetings.

Paula Falkowski leads a group focusing on the preservation and utilization of the old Town Hall. She welcomes your suggestions for the future use of this community resource, so please take a moment to send your comments to her at info@newburyhistorical.org.

Historic House Marker Program

The NHS Historic House Marker program is part of our effort to recognize some of the fine old houses in town. Under the leadership of Gay and Marty Sheary, the total number of structures now displaying the hand-crafted plaque is well over 30. Special thanks to Deane Geddes, Craig MacKenzie and Bruce MacKenzie for continuing to produce these fine markers. If you own one of the 70+ buildings still eligible, I urge you to contact NHS for further information and an application form. Since a recent change in eligibility, houses built in 1900 (according to the tax records) are now eligible.

Collaboration and Contacts

We continued our collaboration with Partners Around Lake Sunapee (PALS) as we joined seven other Lake Sunapee area organizations in our annual publication of lectures, events, exhibits, programs and celebrations. The resulting brochure was mailed to our members and was also available at the library and around town.

Our web site, www.newburyhistorical.org, continues to change and expand under the leadership of Margie Weiler. Check it out and see what is new, what programs we offer, and when the quilt will return to Newbury to be viewed.

The NHS meets on the second Thursday of January, March, May, September and November. All meetings are held at the town office at 7:00 p.m. The annual meeting will be held on Sunday, August 2, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. at the town office meeting room.

This is your Historical Society — we invite and encourage all interested individuals to attend meetings and become involved members. Additionally, we invite you to share your photos, memories and historic documents with us. We will gladly scan and return all items of interest.

Bill Weiler
President

Vice President: Deane Geddes

Treasurer: Claire Vannatta

Secretary: Margie Weiler

Archivist: Bill Weiler

Directors: Paula Falkowski, Ashley Geddes, Gay Sheary,



Sailboats on Lake Sunapee.
Photo Courtesy Katheryn Holmes

Center Meeting House

Center Meeting House (CMH) remains a jewel at the crossroads of our town. The programs held there are designed for the public to enjoy and are open to all.

One very visible change occurred this year. A new sign board, constructed in mahogany by local craftsman Craig MacKenzie, was installed with contributions from many friends. The original board was installed in the 1950s in memory of Marie Thomas Peaslee. Her granddaughter, Joan Lanzillo, took the lead in getting the necessary funds for the reconstruction.

2014 was another busy year at the CMH beginning with the June Series, "When the Trains Came to Newbury". This popular program focused on the impact of the Claremont and Concord Railroad on Newbury and the Lake Sunapee area. Various speakers recounted the history of the railroad, the construction of the Newbury Cut, and the growth of summer travel including

the steamships on the lake. For Old Home Day, the same theme was carried over and one more stop was added, "When the Trains Left Newbury", by Bruce Davison. The presentation showed the circumstances for the last train that made the run from Concord to Claremont before the line was decommissioned.



Joy Newell (left) and Barbara Steward, setting up for "When the Trains Came to Newbury."

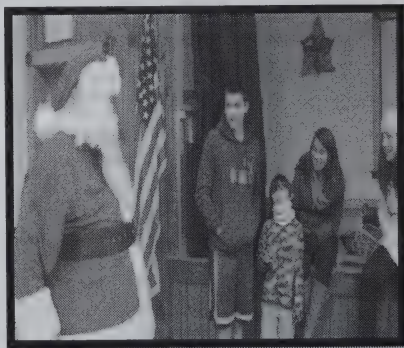
Photo courtesy Maureen Rosen

At the Annual Meeting in August, Charley Freiberg presented his photos of the New Hampshire Rail Trail in an aptly named

presentation, “End of the Line,” and talked about repurposing the rail lines into walking and biking trails across the state.

In November, the Thanks-for-Giving program honored Jay Gamble of the Mount Sunapee Resort for his many contributions to the community, including the impact of the expanded and revitalized ski area, his support of community programs at the Park, and sponsorships of local activities.

The year ended with the December Tree Lighting program, singing carols in a chilly, unheated Meeting House, lighting the town tree, and scurrying across the road to the heated Veterans Hall for warm cider and many sweets from our talented bakers.



*Santa's visit after the tree lighting.
Photo courtesy Pam Bryk*

Financially, the CMH ended the year with a successful response to a matching grant of \$25,000 to reduce the mortgage from the restoration project. With contributions from many friends, the challenge was met and the mortgage was reduced accordingly, making our outlook for 2015 much rosier.

An endowment fund has been established in memory of Virginia Kennedy, treasurer emeritus of CMH, who passed away in November 2013. CMH is now able to receive gifts of cash or appreciated stock for investment in the future CMH maintenance and programming.

There are several pews still available for sponsorship by those who would like to make a major gift to the CMH.

CMH remains a community asset, available for events sponsored by organizations or for weddings and funerals.

Contact information can be found on our web site
www.centermeetinghouse.org.

Chuck Kennedy
Chair

Board of Directors

Kathy Bashaw	Maureen Rosen
Ivor Freeman	Patricia Sherman
Judy Healey	Barbara Steward
Joy Nowell	Dan Wolf



*A sunny winter morning at the Center Meeting House.
Photo courtesy Travis Dezotell*

Transfer Station

2014 has been a year of many changes at the Transfer Station. We began with the installation of gates at both the entrance and the exit. For those who haven't been to the Transfer Station recently, the new doors have been a welcome addition. The three hinged doors and two overhead garage doors have made the shop much warmer, and has undoubtedly saved on heating costs as well as preventing the fuel from "jelling" in the frigid temperatures. Besides the doors, there is a new room on the back of the building which was built to house the various bobcat attachments, which were previously stored outside. While the carpenters were here, they built a roof over the glass bunker to keep it free of ice and snow. This has saved the town from paying for extra unnecessary weight (ice and snow) that was being trucked out with the glass.

Recyclable Material	For Year 2014
Aluminum Cans	7,120 lbs.
Electronics	12,473 lbs.
Paper	86.63 tons
Scrap Metal	48.42 gross tons

Regarding troubleshooting, the only major issue is figuring out how to recycle things that townspeople bring here. Currently the only source that will take smoke detectors charges \$15 each for the disposal, so we are shipping them back to the companies that manufactured them to see if that will work and save us money.

One thing that hasn't changed are the prices we charge for demolition, electronics, etc. If you are new to town, dump permits (free to residents) can be obtained at the Town Office along with a list of prices, what we recycle and our hours. Please read the signage when you are at the Transfer Station and feel free to ask if you have any questions.

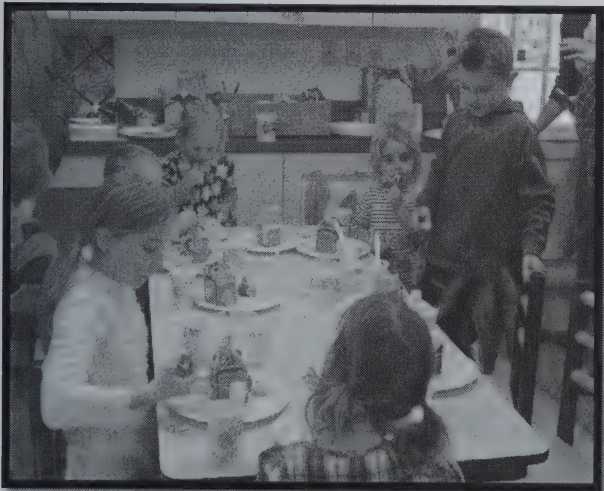
A number of townspeople have voiced concerns about the length of time that some cars stay parked in front of the

compactors. We urge people to move their cars to the side if you are selecting items or chatting, so there is room for others.

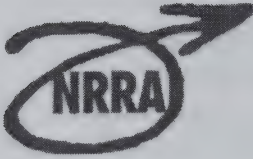
Churchill is still greeting people with a smile and giving dog treats to the dogs who come to visit. So, grab your puppy (and your trash) and come up to the Newbury Transfer Station! We thank you for your patience and efforts to recycle here in the great town of Newbury.

My name is MaryEllen Wright and I am a Newbury native. I would like to thank everyone for their respect and effort to make me feel welcomed. The Newbury Transfer Station is quite the social spot!

Churchill Heselton, Chief Operator
MaryEllen Wright, Attendant



Gingerbread house event at the library.
Photo courtesy Lea McBain



"Partnering to make recycling strong through economic and environmentally sound solutions"

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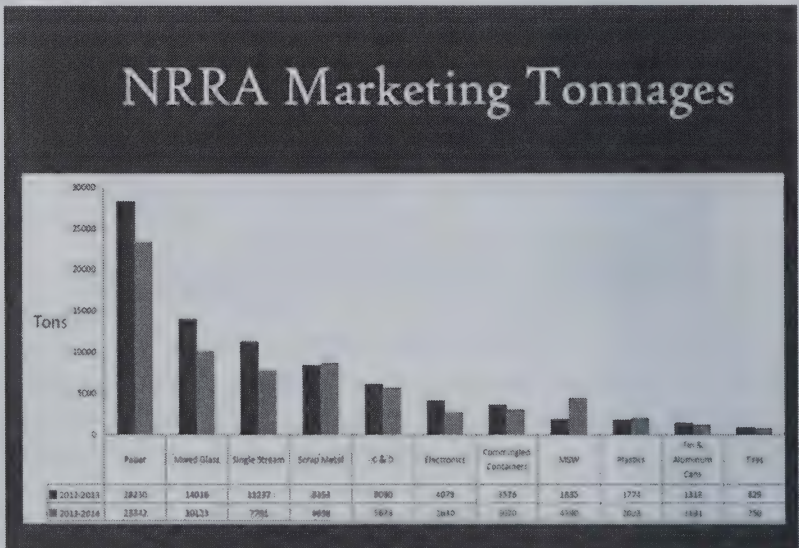
Dear NRRA Member,

As a member of Northeast Resource Recovery Association (NRRA), your community has access to all the services of this first in the nation, 33-year old recycling cooperative. Your member-driven organization provides you with:

- Up-to-date **Technical Assistance** in waste reduction and recycling including solid waste contract negotiations;
- **Cooperative Marketing** to maximize pricing and **Cooperative Purchasing** to minimize costs;
- Current **Market Conditions** and Latest **Recycling Trends**, both **regionally and nationwide**;
- **Innovative Programs** (i.e. Dual Stream, Consolidation and Single Stream);
- **Educational and Networking Opportunities** through our Annual Recycling Conference, our new Bi-weekly "Full of Scrap" email news, monthly Marketing meetings, **members' only website**, workshops and Fall Facility Tours;
- **School Recycling Club** - a program to assist schools to promote or advance their recycling efforts;
- **NH DES Continuing Ed Credits**;
- **NH the Beautiful Signs, Grants, Bins and Recyclemobiles**.

NRRA membership has grown to include more than 400 municipalities, businesses and individuals in New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Connecticut and Maine. NRRA, as a non-profit organization, is unique in that we do not charge a "brokerage fee" or work to maximize profit gains, but rather has a minimal "Co-op" Fee" which is re-invested to further your recycling programs and solid waste reduction efforts in schools and municipalities.

Through your continued support and dedication, NRRA has assisted our members to recycle over 69,686 tons in fiscal year 2013-2014!



Please contact NRRA at 800-223-0150 / 603-736-4401 or visit our website at www.nrra.net

Information Booth

2014 at the Information Booth started with a cool, overcast Memorial Day weekend, but the summer soon blossomed into the best of New Hampshire seasonal weather.

We saw over 3,220 visitors this season from many states including Maine, Massachusetts, Vermont, Connecticut, Iowa, Colorado, New York, Texas, Georgia, and the District of Columbia. Additionally, one visitor proudly insisted we record Brooklyn in our welcome log.

There were many visitors from other countries including Russia, Spain, Lebanon, Brazil, Quebec and Montreal, China, Germany, France, Greece, Slovenia, the Czech Republic, England, and India. Whew! One couple from Russia said their daughter was a ballet dancer with the Russian State Ballet.

Queries covered many of the same questions from other years: Where to eat, where to stay, what are the best hiking trails, directions to the bathrooms, where to launch a boat, and where to rent a boat. One day during the summer, we had several different groups of people hunting for the Newbury Trail because an internet clue said there was money hidden there!

During the summer, we become the face of Newbury for the thousands of visitors who claim Newbury as their vacation spot. We strive to show our many visitors what a beautiful and friendly place we all live in. The Newbury Beautification Committee makes sure that our town looks its best in all seasons and we get many compliments on the atmosphere here – the beautiful colonial-style buildings, the profusion of flowers, and the breathtaking views. Our visitors repeatedly tell us that they love the absence of a carnival atmosphere in Newbury – as much as they enjoy the fun things to do.

*Martha von Redlich, Jane Johnsen,
Charles Killam*

Parks and Recreation

2014 saw Newbury Parks & Recreation through another year of increased usage and programming. New additions and features in programming, park improvements, our second year of spring soccer, and a hiking and camping program rounded out our busy year. A truly wonderful staff delivered another year of unrivaled service and support. This year also saw:

- The running of the fourth annual Chicken Farmer 5k, which was very well attended and enjoyed by all.
- Great collaboration as we partnered with Kathleen Stowell and Nancy Brook from Lake Sunapee Protective Association (LSPA), and Darlene Marshall from The Fells, to improve content and experience in our Hiking and Ecology Camp at The Fells.
- Construction of a second multi-purpose athletic field in the upper area at Fishersfield Park to alleviate the overuse pressure on the lower field, provide opportunity for additional practice space, and have potential outdoor events and tournament space in the future. We anticipate opening this field for play in August 2015.

Fisherfield Park: The soccer field at Fisherfield Park is a truly beautiful facility with many compliments coming from all who play on it. There were 132 days of competition on the field this spring, summer, and fall as well as 12 days of soccer camp. Regular usage has increased substantially. With seven teams playing on the field space in the spring, and three more in the summer and fall, we had major competition for practice space for our teams this year. We anticipate eight teams in spring 2015 and are receiving new requests for summer and fall field space.

We now have several daily walkers in the park and have a great number of hikers using the facility on a weekly basis. With over

400 trail maps and guidebooks being used this summer it was great to see people out and enjoying the 5-plus miles of family-friendly hiking, as well as enjoying the 25 interpretive stations spread throughout the park.

We also welcomed the Bradford Fish and Game Club to host its annual Kid's Fishing Derby at the pond in the park. This saw the stocking of the pond for the fourth time in six years, and a great day was had by all. Council on Aging, Kearsarge Regional Elementary School at Bradford, and the SRK Greenway also hosted events at the park.



*Swim lessons at the harbor.
Photo courtesy Travis Dezotell*

Summer Programs: Our schedule of summer programming saw the fourth successful year of a shorter-term early July soccer camp to complement our August full-week camp. We had an amazing week at Adventures in Nature Camp at Fishersfield Park, building forts, catching frogs, exploring the woods, and playing outdoor games. Ecology Camp at The Fells saw the third year of a new partnership with Kathleen Stowell, LSPA education director, who helped guide many changes to the camp

content for 2014. Nancy Brook, LSPA environmental educator, helped with camp teaching and leadership. We also had a challenging wilderness camp experience for the second time. Campers met at Chalk Pond and hiked the Fisherfield Trail (a leg of the SRK Greenway) to Fisherfield Park where they camped out overnight. We had two weeks of very successful swim lessons again this summer with many local children becoming more comfortable in the water, better swimmers, and learning to jump or dive off the dock for the first time. All of our programs celebrate the traditional Newbury rites-of-passage.

Staff Salute: The summer staff had three exemplary employees who helped make camps enjoyable and safe for all who participated. Greg Barlow and Nick Austin were our two Colby-Sawyer summer recreation interns, as well as DJ Smith, a Newbury resident and a student at Kearsarge Regional High School. Our three summer staff are tremendous examples to our campers and helped to provide a safe and enjoyable camp experience each and every day. A big thanks to these three for their efforts.

Summer Concert Series: The Summer Concert Series rolled on with increased popularity as our Saturday afternoon shows drew really big crowds. The Thursday night shows remained very popular and brought lots of folks down to the harbor during the week for a great musical evening. We really enjoy showing off the harbor area with such great bands coming to town and playing in such a beautiful setting.

Cost-saving Help: The Recreation Department has focused on using the Merrimack County Work Crew for coverage of large labor efforts instead of hiring a labor force at a cost to the town. The crew completes projects like beach clean-up, painting of

buildings, bridge building in the park, tree removal, trail projects, and some phases of overall grounds improvements. We used the crew this year for over 660 man hours, which resulted in quite a savings to the town.

Additional

Improvements: The hiking trails in Fisherfield Park were improved with the installation of two new bridge crossings to protect the wetlands area and keep hikers' feet dry. Over 40 fallen trees were removed from immediate trail areas and 26 standing dead snags were cut down that endangered the trail areas. Removing dead snags is

something we try to avoid because they provide important habitat for woodland raptors. However, the snags in question were hanging dangerously over the trails.



The new well being drilled at Fisherfield.

Photo courtesy Travis Dezotell

Covered Bridge: A highlight of 2014 was the construction of a covered bridge at the main stream crossing on Farmstead Trail on the way to the pond. This bridge replaces an existing 3-foot wide deck bridge spanning the stream since the time of original trail construction. The new bridge provides emergency safety access for users of the pond area and trail system. Richard Wright, selectman, researched the bridge design and constructed

a scale model to aid in the construction. A call was put out for volunteers to work on the project and construction of the bridge base was completed in fall 2013. In spring 2014 construction began on the walls and roof of the bridge. A ramp was graded in by the Newbury highway department and recycled granite



*Summer camp trip to Mt. Sunapee Adventure Park.
Photo Courtesy Travis Dezotell*

from town buildings was used to build the base of the bridge and the retaining walls for the ramp. A walk-out ramp was provided on the pond side of the bridge. In 2015 we will make improvements to

the ramp and further trail improvements will also be done.

This project demonstrates the spirit of volunteerism that pervades our community and the Newbury Parks & Recreation Department is deeply appreciative of all our volunteers. Many thanks to Kristie Lacombe, Kellie Spinney, Sarah Christie, Helen and Richard Wright, Stuart Hale, Bob Wilkonski, George West, Bob Blohm, Mary Thayer, Maureen Dezotell, Cheron and Bruce Barton, Theo Selby, Rich Seabury and many, many more.

*Travis Dezotell
Recreation Director*

Kearsarge Area Preschool

Located in the Bradford Area Community Center, the Kearsarge Area Preschool (KAP) is a parent-run cooperative preschool serving three, four, and five-year-olds in Bradford, Newbury, and neighboring towns.



*First day of the 2014-2015 school year.
KAP staff photo*

KAP is a 501-c (3) not-for-profit organization governed by a board of directors and licensed by the state of New Hampshire. At KAP, parents and teachers collaborate to create a safe, warm and nurturing environment where children can have a positive preschool experience. Children are engaged with developmentally appropriate materials and activities to support and encourage social, emotional, physical and intellectual growth.

The foundation of KAP is community. In 2014, the preschool deepened its ties to the community with the help of parents and families. KAP held a "date night" open to all local parents for Valentine's Day in February. In April, we participated in Earth Day festivities by collecting garbage around the Bradford Area Community Center. In July, the preschool participated in the Bradford Parks and Recreation July 4th Parade. In October,



*KAP students with donated Thanksgiving goods
for South Newbury Union Church.
KAP staff photo*

KAP held a Halloween costume sale in conjunction with the Warner Fall Foliage Festival. As is tradition, KAP families donated items for local families in need through the South Newbury Union Church Thanksgiving basket drive.

KAP is located within a short distance of many valuable community resources, which allows us to extend our classroom walls beyond the physical space. Throughout the year, our class walked to Brown Memorial Library for story time, and took local field trips to the fire station, an apple orchard, and a local farm. In addition, we had several friends from the community join us to share their work. We learned about dental health, how to properly care for our pets, as well as enjoying outdoor play on our playground.

KAP takes great pleasure in offering an affordable, high-quality early childhood program to our community. For more information about enrollment at KAP, please call (603) 938-2442.

*Sara Dockham
Co-President*

2014-2015 Board of Directors
Emily Squibb, Co-President
Brianna Kelly, Treasurer.

Bradford-Newbury-Sutton Youth Sports (BNSYS)

2014 was a year of transition for BNSYS. The end of 2014 brought many new members to the Board of Directors and we are all looking forward to the future of BNSYS.

Perhaps the biggest change in 2014 was the addition of wrestling. Wrestling is a growing sport in both our area and in New Hampshire. A big thank-you to Erik Croto and all who helped the program get off the ground. We are looking forward to growing the wrestling program in the upcoming years.



*Austin Bryk enjoying the giant slide at Old Home Day.
Photo courtesy Pam Bryk*

The baseball season went well with 95 athletes on seven teams and we await spring for another great season.

Nine teams and 117 athletes turned out for our soccer season. Last spring five of our coaches completed the Class "E" coaching course. Thank you to all for sharing your knowledge with our youth.

Our 14th annual golf tournament at the Country Club of New Hampshire was our most successful fundraising event to date. A big thank-you goes out to Andy and Malissa Spiegel for taking the lead on this event year after year.

For those new to the towns which we serve, BNSYS is a 501-c (3) non-profit organization whose sole mission is to provide quality sports opportunities to area youths while reinforcing the

concepts of sportsmanship and team participation. Our revenue is derived from fundraising events, program participation fees, donations, and contributions from the towns. Yearly expenses include insurance and equipment costs. Funds are also used for league fees, uniforms, field/building maintenance, toilet rental, and scholarships.

All aspects of our program are volunteer based. Without our volunteers BNSYS would not be able to offer as much to the communities we serve. Thank you to everyone who continues to volunteer and support BNSYS.

If you would like to participate, please visit our website, www.bnsys.org, or contact one of our directors. We would love to have you involved in making BNSYS the best youth sports program possible.

Theo Selby
President

Board of Directors

Kristen West, Treasurer
Christy LeBoeuf, Secretary
Rod McConnell, Baseball Director
Jesse Griffin, Softball Director
David Spinney, Soccer Director
Erik Croto, Wrestling Director
Hans Whipple, Equipment Director
Andrew Spiegel, Fundraising Director
Rob Naughton, Field Director

The Fells

The Fells is proud to be located in Newbury, NH and to be part of the Town of Newbury. There is a wealth of history that comprises so much of the town's people, businesses, and geographic location. It is most certainly a destination point for visitors of all ages.

Mission: The Fells Historic Estate and Gardens has a mission to welcome people of all ages, making each visit an enriching experience with opportunities to explore and learn from our natural lakeside setting, renowned gardens, and the historic achievements of statesman John Milton Hay.

The Fells protects approximately 3,100 feet of undeveloped natural shoreline on Lake Sunapee and maintains the structures, gardens, meadows, and woodlands for relaxation, recreation and edification. The site is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and is a recipient of the New Hampshire Preservation Alliance Achievement Award. This award was presented to The Fells for outstanding restoration and stewardship of its historic landscape. The Fells is also a Preservation Project of the Garden Conservancy.

History: After the Civil War, John Milton Hay established a summer home in Newbury to escape the pressures of a demanding career. He named his retreat "The Fells" (a Scottish term for "rocky upland pasture"). He served as President Lincoln's private secretary and gained experience in Europe as a diplomat. He later served as Secretary of State under Presidents William McKinley and Theodore Roosevelt and crafted many important foreign policies.

After Hay's death in 1905, his son Clarence and daughter-in-law Alice transformed the rustic retreat into an elegant estate and working farm. Their varied landscape included formal gardens, woodlands, and meadows. Hay's grandson John also summered here. His experiences at The Fells inspired him to

become a naturalist and nature writer, for which he was nationally known.

In 1997, after managing the estate for two years, volunteers formed a nonprofit organization known today as The Fells. In 2008, the organization became the owners of 84 acres of the original 1100-acre site.



The Fells.

Photo courtesy Susan Warren

Highlights of 2014:

- In the summer, The Fells hosted a number of well attended educational and ecological programs that included our “Bus Stops Here” elementary school program and an Ecology Camp sponsored and led by the Town of Newbury’s Parks and Recreation Department with collaboration and educational programming from the Lake Sunapee Protective Association (LSPA). Our partnering with the Town of Newbury and LSPA is very important to us and we greatly appreciate the support and look forward to many other new joint programs coming up in 2015.
- In August, we hosted “Newbury Free Days” in conjunction with Newbury’s Old Home Day. In addition to our educational and ecological programming, The Fells hosted many popular signature events such as Concerts on the Veranda, Artists Weekend, Hay Day Family Festival, The Plant Sale, and a benefit dinner with one of John Milton Hay’s good friends, Mark Twain.
- In September, we celebrated our volunteers (numbering over 300) who work tirelessly to ensure our programs, gardens and facility are always in top-notch form. The seasons are always made spectacular at The Fells by so many hands in the gardens, in the plant nursery, in the house, and all areas touched by those who share their time so generously.
- The year concluded with The Fells beautiful signature event, “*Christmas at The Fells*” Decorator Show House. This year’s theme was “*Deck the Halls*” and featured over

20 talented and creative decorators and designers from our area and beyond. The *New Hampshire Chronicle* television crew was on-site to film the event for its show. *The Kearsarge Chronicle* also did a lovely segment on “*Christmas at The Fells.*” This happy and festive event was a great kickoff for the holiday season.

The Fells is dedicated to providing high-quality and engaging programs along with fun-filled and inspiring events to be enjoyed by people of all ages. The preservation of our historic structures, gardens, natural woodlands, and the almost one mile of unobstructed shoreline on Lake Sunapee is in the hands of everyone in our area and beyond. We are the stewards. The Fells is a historic treasure, and as such, it is a special place. Whether you are a history buff, gardener, hiker, explorer, or a winter snowshoer, visit us soon and you will want to return again and again with family and friends.

For more information please visit our website at www.thefells.com. The Fells Historic Estate and Gardens is located at 456 Route 103A, Newbury, New Hampshire, 03255. Phone number: (603) 763-4789. For program and event information, email us at info@thefells.org.

Susan Warren
Executive Director

Newbury Beautification Committee

Another busy and productive year has come and gone for the Newbury Beautification Committee (NBC). During each and every month of 2014, NBC actively planned or hosted one of our many civic events.

At the March Town Meeting, we baked ham and beans and made coleslaw for residents who attended the meeting. Folks townwide marveled at the many variations of beans and slaw we were able to put on the table. Joy Newell chaired this event.



*A day of basket weaving at Veterans Hall.
Photo Courtesy Ed Wollensak*

April found us sprucing up the trails and picnic areas at Fishersfield. We returned in September and hiked the many trails while hearing tales of the Fishersfield's history. Earlier in the year, Stu Hale and Bob Wilkonski helped in the construction of the new covered bridge at Fisherfield.

Following April showers, May did indeed bring flowers to Newbury. Our annual plant sale was a huge success thanks to all who supported us. The proceeds enabled us to fill

town barrels, our new window boxes, baskets and planters with blooming beauty throughout the summer months. Visitors from all over New England stopped to rave about our picturesque town. The plant sale co-chairs were Gail Beaton, Libby Laro and Peggy Ames. Nonie Reynders chaired the flower color selection of red, white, and blue. In addition to the annuals we planted, the Governor's Lilac and Wildflower Commission once again

donated lilac bushes that found a home on the entrance side of the Veterans Hall.

In July the ladies of NBC, sporting garden bonnets and watering cans filled with candy for the kids, marched in the July 4th Parade. Old Home Day found us preparing salads and serving dinner to many of our year-round and seasonal town residents. NBC's Old Home Day activities were co-chaired by Susan Bedard and Barbara Skinner.

As fall approached, Mary Thayer chaired NBC's program participation in the Newbury Fall Festival held at Velia Memorial Playground. Following this program we found ourselves busy attending brainstorming sessions and workshops in preparation for Christmas at The Fells which was held on the first two weekends in November. This event was co-chaired by Charon Barton and Ed Wollensak. Christmas at The Fells was followed by our 8th annual Wreath Sale, which was held the Saturday after Thanksgiving. This year's Wreath Sale was co-chaired by Steve and Cindy Peterson. Both events landed in the "huge success" column, and if you weren't able to attend, you missed the experience of seeing our talented and creative NBC ladies and men in action! Thanks to the support for our Wreath Sale fundraiser, we were able to green the town from every direction with wreaths, roping and bows. This year's greening was co-chaired by Stu and Judy Hale. Our special thanks to the businesses that purchased greens from us and to Ted and Diane Jones who contacted the town's diversified businesses on behalf of NBC. Their participation completed the "winter in New England" landscape we strive for each year. Thanksgiving was also our time to partner with the Center Meeting House to celebrate "Thanks for Giving" and come together for conversation and refreshments at the Veterans Hall.

In December, our year of events ended with the annual Tree Lighting which was co-chaired by Mary Thayer and Bonnie Guterl. After the lighting, NBC once again invited all to enjoy holiday sweets and goodwill at the Veterans Hall.

In between NBC's full roster of events, members enjoyed several wonderful programs throughout the year. This included summer field trips, lectures, a basket weaving course, and kayaking at the Lake Sunapee State Beach.

NBC was able to continue our philanthropic interests in many ways. We awarded our fourth annual college scholarship to Newbury's own Meghan Fortier who attends the University of New Hampshire at Durham. We also donated family passes for the Vermont Institute of Natural Science and gardening magazines to the Newbury Public Library for our residents to enjoy all year long.

Needless to say, it has been a very productive year for the men and women of NBC! Without the support of our town administration, our selectmen, and especially the Newbury community we couldn't do what we love to do most – to aid the Town of Newbury in civic beautification and other civic endeavors. For additional information about joining our organization, please call Nonie Reynders at 938-5985.

*Cheron Barton and Ed Wollensak
Co-Chair Presidents*



*The NBC annual plant sale.
Photo Courtesy Ed Wollensak*

Kearsarge Regional School Board

After 11 years on the Kearsarge School Board – and the last 10 years as chairman – it is with mixed emotion but sincere pride that I write my last annual report. Representing Newbury on the Board has been an extreme pleasure for me and I leave the Board knowing that the initiatives that have begun in prior years are now bearing fruit.

The Kearsarge Regional High School ranks in the top 10% of schools in the state for its graduation rate and our dropout rate is among the lowest statewide. The Bradford Elementary School has been nominated for elementary school of the year, with the final selection to be made in May 2015. We have negotiated a new contract with our Paraeducators which recognizes the importance of their work and begins to compensate them fairly for their duties. Our first performance-based compensation contract with our faculty and administration is fully implemented and I believe that this will be a model for education in the State of New Hampshire. We have expanded our co-curricular offerings to engage our students in experiences outside the classroom walls.

One disappointment is that we have not achieved a resolution regarding the use or disposition of the former middle school. The 1941 building is a structure that needs to be dealt with and not continue to be a drain on the district's finances.

The past 11 years has witnessed many accomplishments, among them:

- A new middle school;
- Increased credits required for high school graduation;
- A community service requirement for graduation;
- Blizzard bags;
- Full-day kindergarten;
- Our in-house special education center;
- A professional development center to improve our teaching staff;
- The creation of the Kearsarge Adult Diploma Program;

- Improved maintenance of our \$77 million facilities; and
- The list goes on and on.

All of this has been accomplished within our acknowledged obligation to respect the taxpayers who so strongly support us.

It has been a most rewarding experience to have represented the Town of Newbury on the Kearsarge Regional School Board. I remain available to the citizens of Newbury and look forward to assisting Newbury's new representative in any way that I can.

*Daniel H. Wolf
Newbury Representative to the
Kearsarge Regional School Board*



*Elena Wolfinger at the library's pumpkin decorating event.
Photo Courtesy Lea McBain*

Cemetery Trustees

2014 marked a busy year for the Cemetery Trustees. Along with their ongoing duties of cemetery property care and record keeping, Trustees collaborated with the Newbury Historical Society (NHS) and Mount Sunapee Resort to locate – and mark – the final resting place of two early settlers of Newbury.

Record Keeping

There were ten burials in 2014 with only one casket burial and nine crematory burials. There were also 15 other deaths – six out-of-town burials and nine others going to the family. There were also three lots purchased. Burial and death certificates were catalogued for this past year and are now up to date in the Town Clerk's office.

Veterans Honored

There are 184 veterans buried in our Newbury cemeteries. Flags are put on each gravesite every year and each has an appropriate marker. The War Memorial at South Newbury Cemetery was given a “make-over” by the Newbury Veterans. Plans are to place a bronze plaque on the memorial.

Cemetery Property Care

The iron work for the Bartlett and Blodgett cemetery lots in Lakeside was completed. The old wrought iron fences were in bad shape and have been almost completely restored. The fences will be re-painted in spring 2015. Once again, the Newbury Beautification Committee donated and placed holiday wreaths on the gates of several cemeteries throughout the town.

The Past Discovered

It started when a member of the NHS discovered a land deed dated in 1813 which described a burial ground next to Province Road. He used the deed description and an overlay of modern and old maps to arrive at an approximate location of the land. With the cooperation of the NHS and the Mount Sunapee Resort staff, the site of the family cemetery was located in the woods across the road from Mount Sunapee's Main Lodge. The

undergrowth was cleared and a split rail fence installed to permanently mark the burial ground containing two mounds.

Meanwhile, the search began to find the family histories behind the discovery. The trail led to the first settlers of Fisherfield, now known as Newbury. The story began in 1779 while the Revolutionary war was still being fought.

William Gunnison, a Portsmouth, NH shoemaker, was convinced by his relative, Samuel Gunnison in Newbury, to join him by the "Sunapee Pond." William purchased some land in what is now the Mount Sunapee State Park from Ephraim Bradford, one of the original settlers. In December 1778, William married Hannah Grant, the daughter of a sea captain. In October 1779, the newlyweds moved west to live on their own land near the "Sunapee Pond". The cabin on the property left much to be desired. According to a family legend, on the first night, Hannah's hair froze to the pillow. Three weeks later Hannah had her first of fourteen children, a girl they named Hannah.

In October 1781, Hannah had her first son, Robert, who, like so many children in that era, lived only ten months, dying on August 4, 1782. He was buried on the family farm, a common custom then. Hannah was already pregnant again, and in April 1783, William was born. Like his brother, he was to have a short life. He died on October 16, 1784, he was one year, five months and 18 days old and was buried with his brother on the family grounds. No headstones marked the graves and over the decades the burial ground became overgrown and lost from sight.

The two mounds in the burial ground, presumably of the two boys, have been marked with white crosses made by Tom Judge and lettered by Peter Maurer of Sunapee. The family burial ground has been added to the Town of Newbury cemetery list and will be maintained by the Cemetery Trustees in cooperation with the Mount Sunapee Resort.

Charles Kennedy was re-elected at the 2014 Town Meeting to a three-year term as a Cemetery Trustee.

We would like to thank all of the people who have assisted the Cemetery Trustees in the various tasks that needed to be performed in managing the cemeteries.

Paul Riley, Charles Kennedy, & Judy Healey



The restored monument of Ralph Gilbreath (1844 – 1917) found in the South Newbury Cemetery.

Photo courtesy Paul Riley

Planning Board

The Newbury Planning Board (Board) conducts regular meetings on the third Tuesday of each month at the Newbury Town Offices. The Board may also hold work session meetings, as needed, on the first Tuesday of any given month. During 2014, the Board held 11 regular meetings and two work sessions involving Board discussions concerning proposed amendments to Site Plan Review regulations.

The Planning Board is comprised of six elected members. Each elected member serves for a term of three years. One Selectmen, or other town representative appointed by the Selectmen, shall also serve on the Board. The Board may also have up to five alternate members, serving three year terms, who are appointed by Board members. Persons interested in becoming alternates or Board members are encouraged to attend meetings to determine their interest.

The Planning Board has three roles and responsibilities in town affairs: Planning, Legislative, and Regulatory

Planning: In its planning capacity, the Board develops and promotes the Town Master Plan which is a collective community vision for the future of Newbury and identifies the steps necessary to achieve that vision. The Master Plan also serves as an aid to the Board in the performance of its other duties. In 2014, the Board started the lengthy process of developing an update to



*The new addition at the transfer station.
Photo courtesy Travis Dezotell*

Newbury's Master Plan. The Master Plan update is expected to take 24 to 30 months and be completed in 2017.

Annually, the Planning Board leads the effort to update the town's Capital Improvements Program (CIP), which is a schedule of Newbury's capital expenditure needs for the next six years. The 2015-2020 CIP was adopted by the Planning Board on October 21, 2014. Special thanks to the CIP committee: Ivor Freeman, chair; Tom Vannatta and Ron Williams, Planning Board members ; Mike McCrory, Planning Board advisor; Dennis Pavlicek, town administrator; Gary Budd, Board of Selectmen representative; and Bruce Barton at-large member.

Legislative: The legislative role is one in which the Board writes and proposes town ordinances and amendments for discussion and adoption at Town Meeting. The Board also writes and adopts Planning Board specific regulations concerning property subdivision and commercial development following public hearing on the same.

The Board held three public hearings concerning amendments to both Subdivision and Site Plan Review regulations.

There are no proposed amendments to the Newbury Zoning Ordinance to appear on the March 2015 ballot for public vote. However, the Planning Board, through sub-committee and work sessions, will continue to work on improving Newbury's Zoning Ordinance in order that our Ordinances meet the needs of the Town.

Regulatory: In the regulatory role, the Planning Board applies the town ordinances and Board regulations specific to the needs of



(Left to right) Bob Wilkonski, Dick Wright, Steve Palermo, and Stuart Hale taking a break from working on the Fisherfield bridge.

Photo courtesy Travis Dezotell

an application for a subdivision or commercial development. During open public meetings an applicant may choose to start a project with Conceptual consultation. Depending on the project and regulation the applicant may then proceed to a Design Review phase or the Final Approval phase which are both conducted in a public hearing.

Applications reviewed in 2014:

Minor Subdivision – Conceptual (3) and Final (2)

Site Plan Review – Conceptual (5) and Final (4)

Annexation/Lot line Adjustments – Conceptual (1) and Final (1)

Voluntary Mergers of Lots of Record – (7)

Conditional Use Permit (development in a wetland buffer) – (2)

A public hearing was conducted concerning PSNH's request to trim and remove trees, tree branches, and brush on three designated scenic roads.

Acknowledgements: I would like to thank the members of the Planning Board who have served and continue to serve on the Board. I am fortunate to have had the opportunity to work with this dedicated, knowledgeable and responsible group of individuals. Each is a significant asset to the Town of Newbury. My thanks to Tom Vannatta, vice-chair; Travis Dezotell, Russell Smith, Bill Weiler, and Ron Williams, members; Dick Wright ex-officio, Board of Selectmen; and Deane Geddes, alternate. Also, thank you to Meg Whittemore, recording secretary, Patricia Sweet-MacDonald, land use coordinator, and Rachel Ruppel and Mike McCrory, advisors.

Finally, I would like to thank the Board members for their confidence in electing me Chair for the past several years. I have found the position to be challenging but rewarding work and a privilege to serve the needs of our community.

*Bruce Healey
Chair*

Zoning Board of Adjustment

For the second year in a row, the Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) had a relatively light schedule of cases. The Board met eight times and heard a total of nine cases. There were two administrative work sessions.

The complexity of the ZBA cases continues to increase, primarily driven by cases having a significant potential impact on environmental concerns and pressures. To help with monitoring these concerns, the ZBA supported granting the Code Enforcement Officer (CEO) additional hours. The CEO's increased work week was supported by the Planning Board and the Newbury Conservation Commission and approved by the Board of Selectmen.

This past year saw the retirement of Barbara Richmond from the ZBA after many years of service, and her experience and insight have been missed. David Blohm joined the Board as a voting member after having previously served as an alternate member. We also welcomed Patricia Sweet-MacDonald as land use and assessing administrator. She serves, in part, as the primary point of contact for applicants and helps guide them through the ZBA application process. At its April meeting, the ZBA elected Peter Fichter as chair, and Steve Russell as vice-chair. A number of Board members attended Land Use Conferences conducted by the Organization of Energy and Planning. These conferences inform and educate on the conduct of land use boards and reviews the latest legal and legislative findings.

The Zoning Board of Adjustment's mission is to adjudicate appeals to Zoning Ordinances or Administrative Decisions. The Board strives to balance the rights of property owners with state and local ordinances and to uphold the goals of the Master Plan for the Town of Newbury. Minutes and decisions by the ZBA are available on the town website or from the town office.

Peter K. Fichter
Chair

Steve Russell, Vice-Chair
Dave Blohm, Harry Seidel, Members
Alex Azodi, Sue Russell, Alternate Members



The Newbury Cut.
Photo courtesy Maureen Rosen

University of New Hampshire (UNH) Cooperative Extension-Merrimack County

In 2014, UNH Cooperative Extension reached a major milestone...its 100-year anniversary! Citizens in every community in Merrimack County were served from October 2013 to September 2014 through our diverse programming, reaching residents in all 27 towns in the county.

Who We Are

UNH Cooperative Extension is the public outreach arm of the University of New Hampshire and has engaged NH residents for ten decades with a broad variety of non-formal educational offerings including 4-H, Nutrition Connections, Food & Agriculture, Community & Economic Development, Natural Resources, and Youth & Family programs.

What We Do

UNH Cooperative Extension provides a direct link to people throughout the state. We plan and conduct educational programs responsive to NH residents and the issues they identify as important to them.

County Extension field staff bring programs to county residents through hands-on workshops, site visits, seminars, conferences, phone consultations, video-conferences, printed materials, correspondence courses, a statewide toll free Info Line, and a large website. We also as partner with other programs to bring the best to the citizens of Merrimack County.

Programs

Food & Agriculture - Educational programs and applied research are offered to promote safe and local food production, dairy and small-scale livestock and poultry production, and the state's large and diverse ornamental horticulture industry. Also offered are programs in food safety for homeowners, farmers markets, and food service industries, pesticide applicator training, soil and plant diagnostic services, and livestock production.

This year, Merrimack County residents participated in the Master Gardener training and programs, NH Dairy conference, NH Municipal Turf & Grounds conference, Plant Diagnostics Lab services, Safe Milk Handling training, the Small Farm conference, Integrated Pest Management (IPM), and Immigrant Farmer training.

Natural Resources – Research, education and stewardship is provided through a “boots on the ground” approach in the areas of forestry and wildlife, natural resource development, land and water conservation, and marine fisheries.

This year, Merrimack County residents participated in many Natural Resources programs including Emerald Ash Borer and Asian Longhorned Beetle monitoring and educational workshops, Geospatial Technology Training (GIS), NH Maple School, NH Land Trust Coalition work, Saving Special Places Land Conservation Conference, Speaking for Wildlife talks, Stewardship network and woodlot visits, and Forest Management services.

Community & Economic Development - Research-based education and assistance is provided to individuals, families, businesses, and communities to help them identify opportunities to enhance their competitive advantage, build upon their assets, and create conditions that foster local and regional economic growth.

This year, Merrimack County residents participated in Agriculture and Natural Resource Business Institute courses, All Walks of Life Forum, Broadband training and technical assistance, Community Profiles (Dunbarton & Hooksett), Marketing Forest Products workshops, More than Wheels – Making Money for You, Selling at Farmers Markets, and Town planning facilitation and technical support.

Youth & Family - Community-based positive youth development is pursued through programs such as 4-H. Of equal

importance is UNH Extension's well-known nutrition education programs for families and children across the state. Federal funding from USDA provides resources for continued support to programs that focus on the specific needs of limited-resources families (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program and the Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program). Issues, such as obesity, are addressed as both a personal health and public health/economic issue. Educational resources for parents and families are provided through web-based outreach, e-newsletters and train-the-trainer programs.

This year, Merrimack County youth and volunteers participated in 4-H Youth Development programs such as State and County Activities Day, Eastern States Activities and Competition, Teen Conference, county and state Animal Science Shows, Barry Conservation Camp, Hopkinton State Fair, Volunteer Screening and Training, and Youth Leadership/Youth Voice workshops. Merrimack County residents also participated in afterschool professional workshops, Farm to School Days, military family events and camps, and nutrition education programs for limited resource families, refugees and local schools.

UNH Extension trains and supports more than 3,359 volunteers statewide providing a value of \$4.5 million. 4-H leaders, master gardeners, wildlife coverts, community tree stewards, water quality monitors, marine docents, and others, provide the reach of Extension programs into many domains of NH life.

This year, 394 calls from Merrimack County residents were handled by volunteers staffing the state-wide Education Center & toll-free Info Line. Also, 24 Master Gardeners from Merrimack County expanded the Extension's work through 762 volunteer hours.

We invite you to participate in the 100-year anniversary celebration of the UNH Cooperative Extension by making an investment in the 4-H Foundation of New Hampshire to ensure that our work for New Hampshire continues far into the next century. Private donations are a critical part of the Extension's

funding mix. Go to www.extension.unh.edu and click **DONATE** to make a gift, see impacts, and hear from other donors.

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Monday – Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Email questions to: answers@unh.edu



*View of Lake Sunapee from the boat.
Photo courtesy Martha von Redlich*

Police Department

As we close the door on another year we would like to take a moment and thank the citizens of Newbury for helping to continue to make our town a wonderful and safe place to live. You have continued to provide us with tips and information that assist us in keeping our community safe. We encourage you to continue to come in with any issues or concerns you may have so that we may address them. Together, we can continue to make Newbury among the safest communities in which to live.

We did see an increase of motor vehicle accidents for 2014. Most of these were minor and occurred in parking lots, while the remainder can be attributed to road conditions and wildlife crossings. We ask that you continue to be aware and pay attention while you're driving because it is a daily occurrence in Newbury for deer, moose and bear to cross our roads.

Burglaries went up a very small amount from last year. Of the total, 67% were solved and property recovered. In contrast, the average clearance rate for this classification in New England is only 12.5%. We also had an average number of thefts during the year, with officers working to solve and return property to rightful owners in 41% of them. Again, this contrasts with the New England average of only 16.4%. We would like to thank the citizens for their part in helping with the solving of these cases, since it was their involvement that made the difference.

Our officers completed mandated training this year to ensure that they are prepared for any situation that may arise while they patrol the town. A portion of their training earned them college level credits as a bonus.

This year the department's four-wheel-drive was transferred to the Fire Department and the Police Department added a new model Ford Utility to the fleet of four cruisers. Having four reliable cruisers in the town of Newbury ensures that you will have a Newbury officer respond to any of your calls twenty-four hours a day. It also allows for a supervisor or another officer to

go directly to a scene if needed to assist without having to call for assistance from neighboring towns.

All of us at the police department would like to thank you for another great year!

Bob Lee
Chief

Sergeant: Bradley Wheeler
Full-time Officers: Aaron Sparks and Tom Harriman
Part-time Officers: Sgt. Henry Thomas (resigned), E. Neill
Cobb and E. Buddy Rowe (resigned)
Administrative Assistant: Deborah Lacombe



Summer camp overnight hiking trip.
Photo courtesy Travis Dezotell

**Newbury Police Department
Calls for Service 2014**

Classification	Total
Death/Suicide/Unattended	5
Assault/Sexual	4
Harassment	1
Criminal Threat	2
Criminal Mischief	6
Burglary	6
Theft/Shoplifting	22
Fraud	7
Drugs/Possession	2
Property Lost	16
Property Found	23
Domestic Dispute	16
Disturbance	1
Weapons Permits/Renewals	47
Shots Fired	2
Fireworks Violations	3
Harassing Communication	3
Disorderly Conduct	2
DUI	6
Ride Along	2
VIN Inspection	22
Abandoned Vehicle	4
M/V Unlock	17
Road Hazard/Obstruction or Placing Snow/Debris on Road	27
Traffic Offense Warning	204
Traffic Offense Citation	111
Parking Violations/Town Ordinance	142
Criminal Citations	154
Reckless Driving	1
Motor Vehicle Check	32
MV/Traffic Complaint/Manner of Operation	32
Assist-Stranded Motorist	45

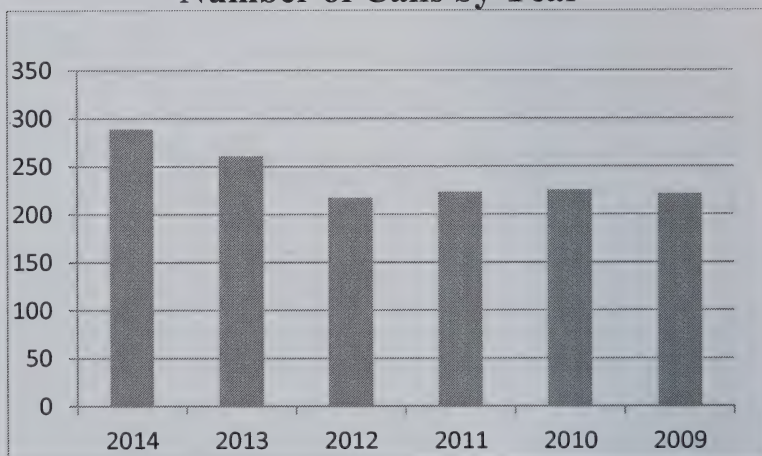
Traffic Crash/Personal Injury	3
Traffic Crash/Property Damage	43
Traffic Crash/Non Reportable	45
Littering-Illegal Dumping	7
HRV Complaints	3
Animal-Complaints	13
Animal/Cruelty/Vicious	8
Animal-Stray	48
Animal-Nuisance	10
Animal-Bite	2
Animal-Livestock Complaint	5
Animal-Wild	22
Unlicensed Dogs	25
Neighborhood Disputes	7
Noise Disturbance	21
Assist-Fire/police	2
Assist-In County Police/Out of State	95
Assist-Newbury Fire	57
Assist-Newbury Medical/Rescue	49
Assist-Town Office	4
Assist-Public Works/EOC	3
Assist-Social Service Agencies	1
Assist-Court	2
Assist-Out of State Police	1
Alarm	8
Alarm-Business	13
Alarm-House/Public Building	59
911 Hang-up	24
Missing Person	2
Juvenile Complaint/Runaway	4
Citizen Requested Assistance	41
Suspicious Person/VEH/Incident	80
Civil Issue/Stand by	18
Welfare Check	23
Open Door/Window/Gate	40
Public Relations-Talk or Lecture	11
Paperwork Relay	13
Paperwork Service	37

Warrant-Criminal/Civil	1
Sex Offender Registration	9
Protective Order	3
Protective Order (Violations)	2
Case Follow Up	32
Selective Enforcement/Military Record Check	15
Fingerprints/School, INS	26
Police Information	163
House Check Request	45
Building Check-Business	423
Building Check-Public	1,472
Building Check-Residential	449

Fire Department

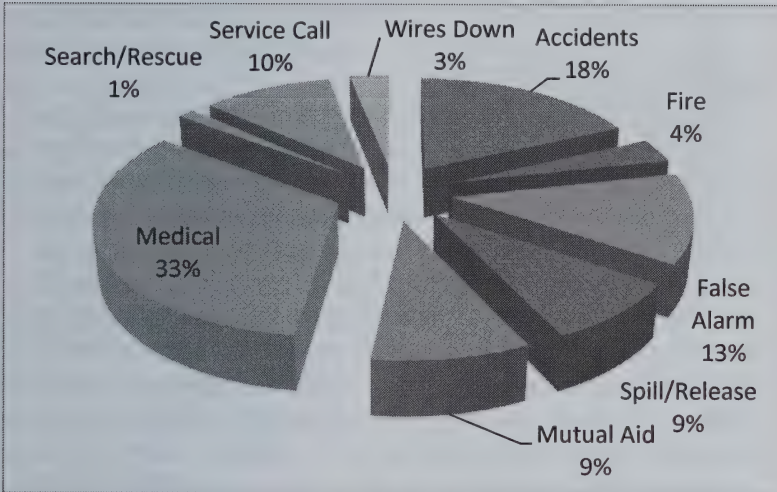
2014 was another busy year for the Newbury Fire Department with the number of calls up 11% over 2013. This set a new record of 289 calls throughout the year. The 2014 total averages out to six calls per week for the on-call fire department. During the month of July, the department responded to 44 calls, which was a record for a single month. Many of our fire department members work at full-time jobs but their dedication is evident by their presence at each and every call received by the fire department. They remain a source of pride for every resident of Newbury.

Number of Calls by Year



The types of calls remained consistent with prior years and totaled as follows: Medical calls – 33%; Vehicle accidents (often requiring medical attention) – 18%; and, Fire-related calls (including false alarms) – 48%. This year the number of fires in Newbury increased by 30%, with chimney fires being the most frequent type of fire. Chimney fires are mostly preventable with proper chimney cleaning. Also, we responded to fires in neighboring towns along with those in Newbury – a clear indication of the need for continued firefighter training and equipment.

Types of Calls



In 2014, department members attended 1,044 hours of in-house training along with classes provided by the department. Another 1,133 hours of continuing education courses were logged by department members resulting in an annual total of 2,177 training hours.

The number of mutual aid calls to surrounding communities increased by 62% and fire department members attended a number of joint training classes to ensure familiarity with equipment and procedures in other towns. The classes encompassed the towns of Sunapee, Newport, New London, Sunapee, Wilmot and Bradford.

False Alarms

Improved compliance with Newbury's Alarm Ordinance resulted in a decline in false alarm calls in 2014. The ordinance requires that any fire alarm that transmits an alarm to an alarm company central station be registered with the Newbury Fire and Police Departments. The ordinance states that a fine will be levied for false alarms received from a non-permitted alarm and that fines will be issued for multiple false alarms. Alarm companies doing business in Newbury must also be permitted.

There is no charge for an alarm permit. Information on the Alarm Ordinance and applying for an alarm permit can be found on the Newbury Fire Department website www.newburyfd.org.

Knox Box

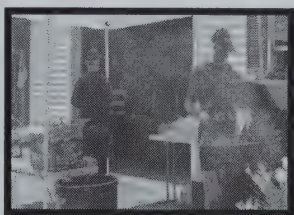
The number of Knox Boxes in the town of Newbury continues to grow with boxes installed at all town buildings, the Newbury Elderly Housing and a number of businesses and private homes. A Knox Box is a secure locked box that holds a key to a property. In the event of a fire alarm when the owner is not on the premises, the fire department is able to use the Knox Box to enter the building without having to damage the property by breaking a window or forcing a door. The cost of the box is considerably less than the cost to repair or replace a door or window. The Knox Box key is secured on the fire apparatus and only available through the use of a recorded access code. Information and pricing for the Knox Box is available on the company's website www.knoxbox.com or by contacting the fire department.

Prevention and Inspection

Fire prevention and inspection is another time-consuming duty of the fire department. During 2014, construction of the Newbury Elderly Housing on Newbury Heights Road was completed and the first residents moved in. Extensive fire department time was spent reviewing plans and construction phases to ensure that the building complied with state fire code. Copies of building plans were added to the fire department's preplanning books. Prior to the grand opening, all fire department personnel toured the facility to guarantee that they would be familiar with the building in the event of a medical call or other emergency. In other fire prevention activity, the department worked with the town Code Enforcement Officer, Lake Sunapee Protective Association, and the property owner to facilitate the demolition and safe removal of a hazardous building along the lakefront. Numerous other fire safety inspections were conducted throughout the town of new construction, renovations, and heating equipment installations.

Ambulance Service

In 2014, the Town of Bradford determined that they would no longer provide an ambulance service. This affected Newbury because the Bradford ambulance provided coverage for South Newbury and functioned as a backup to the New London Hospital Ambulance for the rest of Newbury. With the cessation of the Bradford ambulance coverage, New London Ambulance assumed the medical transport coverage for South Newbury. The Newport Fire Department Ambulance now provides backup ambulance service for all of Newbury, if the New London Ambulance is on another call. The Newbury Fire Department Rescue continues to provide the first response to all emergency medical calls in Newbury and the Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) provide patient care until the ambulance arrives for transport to the hospital. The department tracks response times for all calls and, although an ambulance travel distance may sometimes be longer than in the past, the initial time for an emergency response continues to be good.



Old Home Day cookout at the Fire Department.

Photo courtesy Pam Bryk

Fireworks Ordinance

2014 is the first full year that the revised Fireworks Ordinance was in effect. A great deal of time was spent on providing information to residents and visitors on the new provisions of the ordinance. One of the more significant changes in the fireworks ordinance was the inspections that are now required by the fire department to verify that the area where the fireworks are to be displayed meets the setback requirements of the ordinance and does not pose a fire or personal injury hazard. The need for inspections necessitated the requirement that permits must be applied for no less than 24-hours before the display. A number of residents complained to the fire department that fireworks were being displayed after the 10:00 p.m. permit deadline or in areas that were not appropriate for fireworks displays. A review of these complaints indicated that the

fireworks display after the allowed times had not been issued a fireworks permit by the fire department. The complainants asked if there was a way that they could be notified if a fireworks permit was issued in their neighborhood. In response to this request, the locations of permitted fireworks are being posted on the Newbury Fire Department website www.newburyfd.org and on the inner door of the Safety Services Building. Residents with complaints about unpermitted or illegal fireworks should notify the Newbury Fire Department at the time that the fireworks are being set off and the complaint will be investigated by the police or fire department.

Henry E. Thomas Jr.
Fire Chief

Assistant Chief: David Smith

Captain: Ken Burnell

Lieutenants: Mike Bascom

Larry Nelson

Steve Snyder

Administration/Fire Prevention/EMS: Wayne Whitford

Standing Committee: Mike Croteau, Mike Menino



Newbury's Safety Services Building.
Photo courtesy Kathryn Holmes

Midwestern NH Regional Hazardous Materials Mutual Aid District

The Newbury Fire Department is a member of the Midwestern NH Regional Hazardous Materials Mutual Aid District, a group of 14 cities and towns in the western part of New Hampshire that work together to prepare for – and respond to – hazardous materials emergencies. Member communities include Lebanon, Hanover, Lyme, Springfield, Sutton, Newport, New London, Newbury, Enfield, Plainfield, Sunapee, Meriden, Claremont and Grantham. The NH National Guard Civil Support Team is also a member of the Hazmat District.

The Hazmat District is a member of the NH Hazardous Materials Collaborative, which represents all of the hazmat districts in the state along with state agencies and the National Guard. Through state and federal grants, the District purchased sophisticated chemical monitoring, meters and computers, as well as vehicles and equipment for responding to hazmat incidents. Companies that manufacture or store hazardous materials are required to file annual chemical inventory reports to the state and this information is the basis for a chemical database of hazardous materials in the area. These reports are used for preplanning and in the event of an emergency.

Representatives from each of the 14 towns in the District meet monthly to train and review incidents and the latest information on hazardous material emergency planning. The 2014 training sessions included the following:

- A comprehensive overview and response procedures for the new compressed national gas trucks that travel on I-89 on a daily basis;
- A railcar emergency response training pertaining to chemical spills;
- A spill and containment drill on one of the lakes in the District;
- A session on responding to incidents at illegal drug labs that are appearing throughout the state; and

- A two-day training conference for all of the state hazmat districts that was sponsored by the NH Department of Safety.

When the threat of Ebola surfaced during 2014, the leaders of the Midwestern Hazmat District worked together with the hospitals, Department of Public Safety, Homeland Security & Emergency Management, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, the Department of Health and Human Services, the public health regions, and the cities and towns throughout the district to ensure that procedures were in place, personal protective equipment was available, and responder training was done. Although there were no cases of Ebola in New Hampshire, the work that was done in the planning and preparation demonstrated that the Hazmat District is a valuable coordination and planning resource to the communities for emergencies resulting from threats other than just chemical hazard emergencies.

Additional information may be found on the Hazmat District website www.midwesthazmat.org.

Midwestern NH Regional Hazardous Materials Mutual Aid
District Officers

Chair: Jeff Libbey, Assistant Chief, Lebanon Fire Department
Vice Chair: Dan Ruggles, Chief, Sunapee Fire Department
Secretary: Wayne Whitford, Newbury Fire Department
Treasurer: Henry Thomas, Chief, Newbury Fire Department

Forest Fire Warden

Once again, above average rainfall kept our fire danger low for the majority of last year's burn season. Early spring was dry and there was about a three-week span where we did not issue brush fire permits. We had a few cases of people burning without permits, burning oversized material, and burning during the day time hours. **Please remember: If there is no snow on the ground, you must have a permit to burn.** Seasonal campfire permits expire on December 31st of each year, which means permits must be renewed each year. Brochures explaining the state rules and regulations of open burning are available by asking any deputy warden, or myself.

In 2015, we will be looking at an on-line permit option for some permits that do not require an on-site inspection. The state has run a pilot test on these types of permits and is about ready to expand it. However, these permits will have a fee attached to them. When we are ready to implement this we will post information on the town and fire department websites. Traditional hand-written permits will still be available and, hopefully, will still not have a fee attached to them.

Thank you to the deputy wardens for issuing so many of the fire permits. Please plan ahead on obtaining a permit so it is not a last minute rush and you are not able to burn when you had planned.

This winter we have heard of many terrible fires and some that have occurred locally. **Please remember: Snow on the ground stops wildland fires, but not building fires.** Be fire safe, both inside and outside all year long.

If you have any questions, please call me at 938-5925.

Dave Smith
Warden

State Forest Ranger

Your local forest fire warden, fire department, and the NH Division of Forests & Lands work collaboratively to reduce the risk and frequency of wildland fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, please contact your local forest fire warden or fire department to determine if a permit is required before doing any outside burning.

Under state law (RSA 227-L:17) a fire permit is required for all outside burning unless the ground is completely covered with snow.

The NH Department of Environmental Services (DES) also prohibits the open burning of household waste. Citizens are encouraged to contact the local fire department or DES at (603) 271-1370, or www.des.state.nh.us, for more information.

Safe open burning requires paying attention, diligence and responsibility. Help us protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2214 or www.nhdf.org.

The 2014 fire season started in early in April with the first reported fire on April 7th. April, which is the traditional start to our spring fire season, began with unseasonably dry conditions which continued throughout the month. This dry pattern remained in place through the first half of May. The following six weeks produced 80% of our reported fires this season. The largest fire was 24 acres in size and occurred in the town of Tamworth. Above average rainfall from mid-May through early September kept our total acreage burned statewide at 72 acres. This is the smallest amount of acreage burned statewide in several years.

The statewide system of 16 fire lookout towers continues to operate on Class III, or higher, fire danger days. Our fire lookouts have quick and accurate spotting capabilities and are credited with keeping most fires small and saving structures.

The towers’ fire spotting capability was supplemented by the NH Civil Air Patrol when the fire danger was especially high. Many homes in New Hampshire are located in the wildland urban interface, which is the area where homes and flammable wildland fuels intermix. Several of the fires in 2014 threatened structures, and a few structures were burned. This is a grim reminder that forest fires burn more than just trees.

Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildland fire from spreading to their home.

Precautions include:

- Keep your roof and gutters clear of leaves and pine needles;
- Maintain adequate green space around your home; and
- Remove any flammable materials.

Additional information and homeowner recommendations are available at www.firewise.org. Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department, and the state’s Forest Rangers by being fire-wise and fire-safe.

2014 FIRE STATISTICS
(All fires reported as of November 2014)
(figures do not include fires under the jurisdiction of the
White Mountain National Forest)

COUNTY STATISTICS		
County	Acres	# of Fires
Belknap	3.1	5
Carroll	24	4
Cheshire	6.8	7
Coos	5.3	18
Grafton	8.2	32
Hillsborough	6.1	20
Merrimack	15.5	11
Rockingham	1.1	8
Strafford	.4	5
Sullivan	1.5	2

Code Enforcement Officer

Hello! It is a pleasure to introduce myself as your new Code Enforcement Officer (CEO). My background is in building and land development and for 28 years I worked as a construction manager. In this role, I enjoyed working closely with municipalities in over 14 different communities. Additionally, I worked actively with landowners, engineering firms, contractors, and homeowners during and after their building projects.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish Paul LaCasse well in his decision to retire. Paul, former Newbury CEO, has been a great resource to me during the transition.

In 2014, 102 permits were issued in Newbury, up from 78 permits issued in 2013. This represents an almost 31% increase over a 12-month period. 2014 permits were granted for a wide range of projects:

9 Single Family Homes	27 Home Improvements
8 Barns	10 Sheds
4 Porches	13 Decks
7 Additions	10 Garages
4 Home Repairs	5 Electrical
1 Commercial Alteration	1 Commercial
3 Demolition	

Thank you to those who took the time to file for the proper permit.

Items to Consider:

- For residents who have filed and have not yet completed or received a certificate of occupancy or completion for their projects, please call to schedule a final inspection at (603) 763-4940 x203 when ready.
- Please reference the Permit Number when calling for all inspections.

- Remember, the project remains open and a permit could expire if a final inspection or certificate of occupancy is not issued from the town.
- Proper planning and expectations for any project help ensure a smooth job from start to finish. Please consider taking a few moments to call and schedule an informal meeting with me prior to commencing any construction project that requires a building permit.

Helpful Tips:

- Permits are required for all sheds, whether permanently affixed to the ground or not.
- There is no charge for permits for sheds on blocks or for sheds that are 120 square feet or less.
- Permits are required for any change to the original plumbing or electric system. However, you do not need a permit if you are simply changing a plumbing fixture or a light switch.
- New heating systems, replacement heating systems, all central fire and burglar systems need permits. Otherwise, a fine will be issued. Permits can be obtained from the fire department, Chief Henry Thomas at (603) 938-5346 or email newburyc1@aol.com. Copies of permits can be found at the Town Office.
- **Important:** Shoreland protection permits, wetland permits, buffer zone development, and storm water management plans are critical and integral components. **Preservation of our lakes, ponds, streams and wetlands are a priority and cannot be compromised.** Together, with proper planning, we can achieve quality land development around these sensitive areas.
- Please review our Zoning Regulations and Building Regulations for best practices regarding work in and around our lakes, ponds, rivers, streams or wetland areas.
- Some projects, depending on the scope of work, may require certification of inspections and process of all land improvements during and after completion before a certificate of occupancy can be issued.

I look forward to working with all contractors and landowners in Newbury for a positive and constructive approach to any and all projects requiring a permit.

*John Greenwood
Code Enforcement Officer*



*Improvements at the transfer station.
Photo courtesy Travis Dezotell*

Emergency Management

During 2014, the NH Department of Public Safety, Bureau of Emergency Communications started implementing a statewide Reverse 911 system for New Hampshire. Once completed, state and local communities will be able to send out emergency notifications directly to residents via their telephones. Also, the state has launched an emergency alert app for smart phones. The app, called NH Alerts, can be downloaded by smart phone users to receive weather and other emergency alerts from the state. The information is sent to the recipient's cell phone.



*A beautiful fall day at the lake.
Photo courtesy Wayne Whitford*

For the past several years, Newbury and other towns in the Lake Sunapee region have been using successfully the Code Red Reverse 911 System. Currently, the state system is limited to emergency notifications only and cannot be used for non-emergency messages, such as school cancelation, beach closures, and notices of public meeting and events. Newbury has decided to continue to utilize the Code Red system in addition to the NH Reverse 911 System.

During the early fall, the NH Bureau of Emergency Communications visited Newbury to conduct E911Mapping. This project verified the locations of streets and buildings in Newbury for the E911 system, which is critical to assure that a call to 911 will get emergency responders to the correct location.

The NH Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management operates an Emergency Operations Center (EOC) at their headquarters in Concord. In the event of a statewide or regional emergency the EOC coordinates emergency resources throughout the state. The EOC communicates with each of the

cities and towns through a secure internet program called WEB EOC. During an emergency affecting Newbury, WEB EOC is staffed at the Emergency Operations Center at the Town Office. To ensure that there is adequate staffing for WEB EOC, two additional town employees attended WEB EOC training at the state EOC in Concord during 2014.

The most significant event in 2014 for emergency management was the Ebola cases in Texas and other parts of the country. Although this was a public health emergency, the NH Bureau of Homeland Security and Emergency Management played a large role in supporting the health agencies and setting up the coordination of resources to prepare for possible cases of Ebola in New Hampshire. The Newbury Emergency Management Director, along with the directors from all of the other cities and towns participated in numerous conference calls, email alerts, training sessions, and other activities related to preparedness and public information. A number of procedures were developed among communities, local hospitals, ambulance services, and hazardous materials districts. Additionally, collaborative avenues were established among the towns, state and established health regions. Although this preparedness did not have to be utilized, the enhanced preparedness is now in place and ready for future health-related or other emergencies.

Two members of the Newbury Emergency Management team attended multi-day National Fire Academy training classes and received certification in the Incident Command System (ICS) 300, Intermediate ICS for Expanding Incident Operations, and ICS 400 Advanced ICS for Complex Incidents. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) requires incident command certification by town officials to ensure that the town remains eligible to receive federal disaster training and preparedness grants.

Wayne R. Whitford
Emergency Management Director

Joint Loss Management Committee

The Newbury Joint Loss Management Committee (JLMC) is the town's safety committee, as required under the State of New Hampshire Department of Labor. 2014 was an active year for the JLMC as committee members focused on a workplace safety audit conducted by a state labor inspector with the NH Department of Labor.

The workplace safety audit was conducted in Spring 2014 at the town office and at facilities where town employees work. The town administrator, department heads, and the chair of the safety committee accompanied the inspectors through each of the town locations. The result of the audit was positive with no major violations found by the inspector. Some recommendations were made as the result of the audit and a re-inspection by the state inspector was conducted in the late summer. The result was that all of the recommendations had been implemented and no new recommendations were made.

The JLMC also coordinated two safety training classes presented by the Property Liability Trust. Additional accomplishments included a full-day hands-on chainsaw safety class for the Highway Department, an evening chain saw safety awareness class for the Fire Department, and a CPR training class for town office employees.

The JLMC is comprised of management and workers from each of the town's departments. The committee meets bi-monthly to discuss worker safety as well as the safety of the public on town property.

Wayne R. Whitford
Chair

Highway Department

There were 78 weather events between October 2013 and April 2014 that required the Highway Department to plow and/or sand the roads in Newbury. Approximately 3,258 cubic yards (CY) of sand was used to keep the roads open and usable.

Along with our usual duties of snow removal, grading, culvert replacement, ditching, sweeping and mowing, we reclaimed and paved the remaining 2,295 feet of Village Road. Additionally, a shim and overlay on 2,333 feet, and a full 3-inches of pavement on 1,100 feet, in the Birchfield subdivision was completed. Geotextile and gravel was installed on a section of Stoneybrook Road to eliminate a severe mud problem during spring thaw and the installation worked well.

On August 13, 2014, we had a tropical rain event resulting in an accumulation of 5-inches of rain in six hours. The result was some significant damage to roads in the southern part of town. Repairs required approximately 450 CY of crushed gravel and 215 CY of bank run gravel. The rain event did not create enough damage in Merrimack County to qualify for FEMA assistance.

The new grader arrived and was put into service in August. It has already proven to be a valuable asset to the town.

Several hundred feet of culverts were replaced along with the never-ending task of removing rocks from the roads due to frost.

Winter sand is still available at the old Highway shed on Sutton Road for all town residents.

As always, my sincere thanks to the residents of Newbury for all their support, and the Highway Department staff for their continued hard work. Additional thanks goes to the Board of Selectmen and the Town Office staff.

Cal Prussman
Highway Administrator

Blodgett Wastewater Treatment Facility

The Blodgett Landing Wastewater Treatment Plant had a good year in 2014. There were no problems at the plant or pump stations.

Ongoing testing for Ph nitrates and ammonia happen on a daily, weekly and monthly basis. The nitrate and ammonia readings are averaging between 1.3 mg/l and 5.6. mg/l which is well below the state limits of 10 mg/l.

Every two years, about 10,000 gallons of sludge is pumped out of both Imhoff tanks at the plant. This is done to keep a good activated sludge to help break down the ammonia and nitrates.

I would like to thank Mary Thayer and the Highway Department for their continued assistance throughout the year.

I hope 2015 goes as well. Thank you for your continued support.

*Tim Mulder
Chief Operator*



*Construction of the new athletic field at Fisherfield.
Photo courtesy Travis Dezotell*

Health Officer

Public health during the year 2014 will be remembered for the Ebola outbreak in Africa and limited cases of the disease in individuals with ties to Africa in the United States. The death of a patient in Texas, and hospitalization of healthcare workers in other parts of the country, topped the news for much of the year. The fact that the disease could be transmitted in a big city hospital was a wakeup call to the entire public health and emergency medical community. The NH Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) had a comprehensive health emergency plan in place for the bird flu threat several years ago which was quickly updated to address the Ebola threat. A number of training sessions and conference calls were held with the state's health regions, hospitals, health officers, and emergency medical services providers to review the updated plan.

Public information on Ebola and recommended precautions for individuals and families was provided by federal and state health agencies. This information was posted at the town office and in a special Ebola section of the Health Officer's page on the Town of Newbury website. The state provided guidance on procedures for personal protective equipment for emergency medical response to calls for patients with Ebola symptoms. Communities in the Lake Sunapee area worked together to develop a regional procedure for responding to these calls. Personnel protective equipment was purchased and training was conducted for Newbury emergency medical service providers.

Fortunately, there were no cases of Ebola identified in New Hampshire in 2014. The Newbury Health Officer continues to work with the following groups on preparedness for Ebola and other public health emergencies: the DHHS; NH Department of Safety Bureau of Emergency Medical Services; New London Hospital and the C5 medical region; the Midwestern New Hampshire Hazardous Material District; the Greater Sullivan

County Public Health Network; and, the New Hampshire Health Officer's Association.

The Health Officer's webpage on the Town of Newbury website, www.newburynh.org, continues to be a resource for public health information for residents on topics including seasonal influenza, mosquito borne illnesses such as West Nile Virus, EEE, Ebola and other health topics.

Wayne R. Whitford
Health Officer



Participants in the Chicken Farmer 5K.
Photo courtesy Travis Dezotell

Lake Sunapee Region VNA & Hospice

On behalf of all the staff and volunteers of Lake Sunapee Region VNA & Hospice (LSRVNA), thank you for the opportunity to provide home health and hospice services, personal care, and community health services in Newbury. Within our 1,900 square-mile service area, our mission is to provide care for individuals and families in home and community settings, and enable people to stay in their homes for as long as possible. As in previous years, our Board of Directors has pledged that, within its financial resources, LSRVNA will continue to serve those in need of care regardless of insurance coverage or financial circumstances.

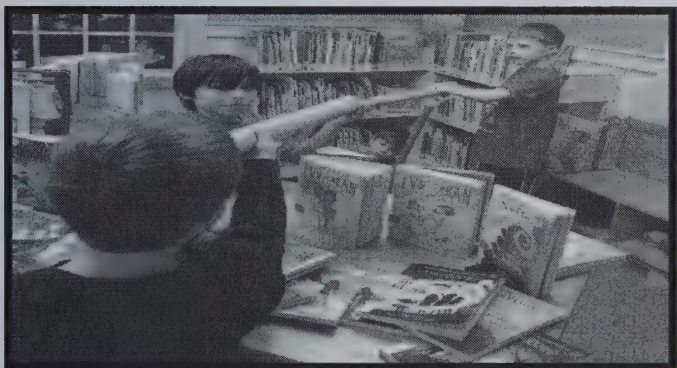
I am proud to report that, for the 12-month period ending September 30, 2014, LSRVNA employees served Newbury in the following ways:

- Provided 2,384 hours of nursing, therapy and in-home supportive care to 58 residents;
- Provided 1,710 in-home nursing, therapy and social work visits with 36 visits provided without any remuneration to LSRVNA, and 46 visits provided under various Medicaid programs;
- Provided 361 visits to three Newbury residents in hospice programs, enabling them to spend their last days at home;
- Provided families of the deceased with 14 months of bereavement support and counseling after the death of their loved ones, at no cost; and
- Provided 191 residents with foot care, flu, and blood pressure clinics as well as parent-child, bereavement, and other support groups.

Our talented staff remains committed to not only individual health and well-being, but also fostering community support and involvement which empowers residents to help their friends and neighbors. Please do not hesitate to contact me if there is any way that we may be of service to you, your loved ones, or your

town's residents. Our vision is triple-fold: to be the leading provider of home care services in the region; to be the best place to work and volunteer; and, to remain an adaptive and enduring presence within our service area. Achieving our vision is only possible with support and confidence such as yours. Thank you for your ongoing generosity.

*Monique Malanga
Chief Financial Officer*



*Newbury children enjoying two afterschool programs at the library.
Photo courtesy Lea McBain*

New London Hospital

In the 12 months since our last report, New London Hospital continued to offer a broad array of local health care services in our community hospital setting, serving 15 towns, including Newbury.

During 2014, these capable and caring providers joined our vibrant medical staff: Matthew Bryant, CRNA; William Ferriter, DPM; Tamsen Howes, PA; Erin Knuuti, FNP, MSN; Ashley Miller, MD; Pete Peterson, PA-C ATC; Heather Sabourin, CRNA; and, Andrew Torkelson, MD.

In keeping with our recent affiliation with Dartmouth-Hitchcock, we also added services from an extensive roster of Dartmouth-Hitchcock specialty healthcare providers in Audiology, Dermatology, Gastroenterology, General Surgery, Orthopaedics and Urology. Additionally, we welcomed Harold Pikus, MD of Upper Valley Neurology Neurosurgery to meet the increased need for neurosurgical care in our communities.

In addition to healthcare services provided in our facilities, our Ambulance Service was available 24/7 with Advanced Life Support for seven communities including Newbury. Clinical staff and senior leaders were out and about as speakers for various groups, and participated in area health fairs and events. We also offered the community these significant educational opportunities:

- Panel of statewide and local experts on the Affordable Care Act and how to access health insurance;
- Caring Student Intern program for high school students interested in healthcare careers;
- 14th annual Central New Hampshire EMS Conference at Mount Sunapee Resort;
- *The Wellness Connection: For a Healthy Lake Sunapee Region*, a program designed to promote healthy eating and active living; and
- Inaugural John H. Ohler, MD Community Health Lecture on *Dietary Impact on Health: Understanding the Magic of*

the Mediterranean Diet, by cardiologist Dr. Andrew Torkelson, with 275 attendees.

We celebrated many successes, including honors bestowed on individuals, departments and our entire institution as follows:

- Harvard Pilgrim Health Care Hospital Honor Roll, based on performance among the top 25% nationally on a set of composite quality and patient experience measures;
- Diagnostic Imaging Center of Excellence (DICOE) designation from the American College of Radiology (first hospital in New Hampshire and one of 19 hospitals in the country);
- Statewide awards from the New Hampshire Hospital Association: President and CEO Bruce King given the Leslie A. Smith President's Award, and *The Wellness Connection for a Healthy Lake Sunapee Region* named recipient of the HEAL NH Award for promoting healthy eating and active living;
- Rural Health Clinician Award to Chief Medical Officer and Medical Director of Psychiatric Services for New London Hospital, Steven Powell, MD, MPH, by the New England Rural Health RoundTable;
- Community Member of the Year award to Karen Zurheide, Vice President of Community Relations and Development, from the Lake Sunapee Region Chamber of Commerce for outstanding service and commitment to the community; and
- Cloie Bridgeo, Scott Ireland, Patricia Rienzo and Sandra Williams recognized for each reaching 35 years of dedicated service to the community as New London Hospital employees.

The year also brought challenges, both to us and to healthcare organizations in general. Our Newport Health Center was unexpectedly forced to close for several weeks in March and April for repairs due to extensive flood damage. Staff of both Newport and New London facilities successfully accommodated Newport patients in New London during this time, including providing transportation for those who needed it. Also, in early 2014, we reported financial shortfalls to the

community. The Board of Trustees and staff leadership worked together to adjust budgets without compromising quality. In the second half of 2014, we saw improved financial results from increased utilization of many of our services and reduced expenses.

During 2014, the community gave back to New London Hospital in many ways, including:

- Our 9th Annual Gala that raised \$19,000 to support Newport Health Center's flood recovery and \$17,000 for our Annual Fund;
- Sponsors and players who contributed to raise \$30,000 from our 11th Annual Golf Invitational;
- Community organizations and individuals from many towns who worked together to bring about the 90th annual Hospital Days celebration and our 31st annual Triathlon;
- The Lake Sunapee Country Club Women's Golf Association which raised \$28,000 to provide breast cancer detection services to those unable to pay; and
- Volunteer service to the hospital, given in many different capacities, which totaled nearly 11,000 hours.

Thank you to Newbury town residents, families and guests who chose to receive care from us in 2014, as well as volunteers who gave their precious time. Special thanks to the generous donors who provided funding, dedicated staff who gave their best daily, and all others from Newbury who supported our mission in the past year.

Karen J. Zurheide
VP of Community Relations and Development

Community Action Program (CAP) Kearsarge Valley Area Center

Services provided to Newbury residents in 2014:

Emergency Food Pantries provide up to five days of food for people facing a temporary food crisis. Value: \$5.00 per meal.

Fuel Assistance provides help with energy costs to income-eligible households during the prime heating season.

Electric Assistance provides a specific tier of discount from 9% to 77% on electric bills for eligible households.

Weatherization is a program that improves the energy efficiency of income eligible households and includes furnace replacement, water heater replacement and roof repair.

Neighbor Helping Neighbor provides emergency energy assistance up to \$300 for those not eligible for fuel assistance.

Information and Referral services cover utility, landlord/tenant, legal and health counseling as well as referrals for housing, transportation and other life concerns.

Service Description	Units of Service	Households/ Persons	Value
Emergency Food Pantries	Meals - 350	Persons - 35	\$1,750.00
Fuel Assistance	Applications - 43	Persons - 98	\$33,270.00
Electric Assistance		Households - 40	\$19,579.37
Weatherization	Homes - 0	Persons - 0	\$0
Neighbor Helping Neighbor	Grants - 0		\$0
Total			\$54,599.37

*Erin Reed
Area Director*

Family Services

In this continued uncertain economy, Newbury Family Services was busy in 2014. Fifteen families requested and met the Newbury Welfare guidelines to receive aid this year.

Assistance is requested for a variety of reasons but the most frequent are to prevent eviction, to deal with threats of disconnects for electricity, and lack of heat.

Even though each family had their own individual need and problems, they all had one thing in common: every family greatly appreciated the help they received from the town when they so badly needed it.



*Tinker Club at the library.
Photo Courtesy Ken Tentarelli*

This year, with the help of the Wilkonski family, the cold weather drive was a great success. There were approximately 20 families who were able to receive the much-needed winter clothes for their whole family. Thank you to all who generously contributed to this worthy drive.

In coordination with the South Newbury Union Church, 24 Thanksgiving baskets and 25 Christmas baskets were distributed to needy families throughout Newbury. The donations of the Newbury residents helped make this such a success. Once again, the hardworking, compassionate people of the South Newbury Union Church are to be commended for their dedication.

Food was collected, donated and distributed among the needy families of Newbury thanks to "Care and Share Day" at Mount Sunapee and the Newbury branch of the Lake Sunapee Bank. This food is a big help to these families and is greatly appreciated. Thank you!

This was the eighth year for the “Giving Tree” in the Town Office. Once again, it was a big success. Due to the extreme generosity of Newbury residents, these gifts were distributed at the same time as the Christmas baskets. It is always a joy to watch the parents when they get their baskets. Often they are overwhelmed with emotion when they receive a bag of goodies for their children for Christmas Eve. Again, a special thank you goes to two “elves” and their husbands who could be seen sneaking around the “Giving Tree”. Judy Hale and Judy Healey worked very hard to be sure that no child was forgotten, which is not an easy job.

This year a large family who had been helped in the past, called to ask what they could do to help this year. They were in a better position and wanted to give something back. I believe that this is what “it” is all about. It warmed my heart to know how much our efforts are appreciated and that there is a strong desire to help others.

I would be remiss not to mention the many phone calls that I received from individuals, families, organizations, clubs and committees interested in volunteering and donating time, money, food, trees, and holiday presents for those families in Newbury with a need.

I have learned that New Englanders are proud people and find it difficult to ask for help. If anyone knows of a situation where someone is in need, please call Newbury Town Hall at (603) 763-4940 and leave a message for me.

No question about it: Newbury residents excel in compassion and generosity. I am very proud to be part of this community and thank you all for your help and support throughout the year.

Gail Bostic
Family Services Director

Kearsarge Area Council on Aging

The mission of the Kearsarge Area Council on Aging (COA) Chapin Senior Center is to respond to the needs of seniors living in the Kearsarge/Mount Sunapee area. We are pleased to report that in 2014 we have been able to continue to make significant contributions to the health, wellbeing, and quality of life of senior residents in the area. Thanks go out for the generous support from our volunteers, donors, and area towns.



*A senior hike at Fisherfield.
COA staff photo.*

COA offers a host of services: organizing indoor and outdoor recreation programs; hosting social events such as bridge games and lunch discussion groups; providing access to free mobility equipment; and, acting as a clearinghouse for resources for those in need of assistance to remain

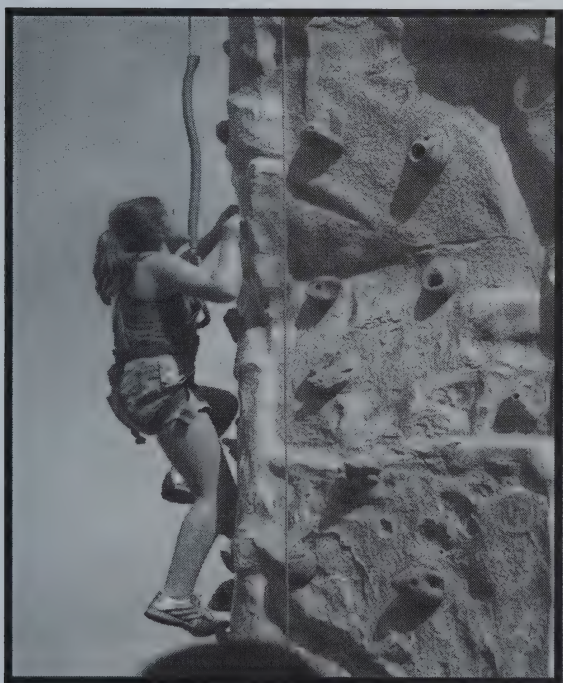
living independently in their homes.

One of the most critical programs is the volunteer transportation program that provides door-to-door service to medical and other appointments for those who are unable to drive. COA volunteers typically drive seniors from the nine town area 40,000 to 50,000 miles each year. Last year was no different.

COA relies on private donations from local citizens and community businesses as well as fundraisers (such as our annual Book Sale) for 70% of our operating funds. The remaining 30% comes from the nine towns we serve. We are truly thankful to all of those who contribute their money, time, and energy to make our work possible.

COA's Chapin Senior Center is open weekdays from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Come in to take part in exercises, to ask Medicare questions, to attend an enriching educational program, to enjoy our book and video library, to volunteer, or to just have coffee with friends. We look forward to seeing you!

*Derek D. Lick
Chairman*



*Cailyn Dezotell climbing the rock wall at Old Home Day.
Photo courtesy Pam Bryk*

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
Municipal Services Division
2014 Tax Rate Calculation

Det W. K.
10/16/14

TOWN/CITY: NEWBURY

Gross Appropriations	4,359,603
Less: Revenues	1,754,515
	0
Add: Overlay (RSA 76:6)	23,279
War Service Credits	72,000

Net Town Appropriation	2,700,367
Special Adjustment	0

Approved Town/City Tax Effort	2,700,367
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TOWN RATE
3.84

SCHOOL PORTION

Net Local School Budget:			
Gross Approp. - Revenue	0	0	0
Regional School Apportionment			6,095,233
Less: Education Grant			(4,256)

Education Tax (from below)	(1,713,219)
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Approved School(s) Tax Effort	4,377,758
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LOCAL
SCHOOL RATE
6.21

EDUCATION TAX

Equalized Valuation(no utilities) x	\$2.480	
690,814,053		1,713,219
Divide by Local Assessed Valuation (no utilities)		
699,469,467		

STATE
SCHOOL RATE
2.45

COUNTY PORTION

Due to County	2,108,638
	0

Approved County Tax Effort	2,108,638
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COUNTY RATE
2.99

TOTAL RATE
15.49

Total Property Taxes Assessed	10,899,982
Less: War Service Credits	(72,000)
Add: Village District Commitment(s)	19,525
Total Property Tax Commitment	10,847,507

PROOF OF RATE

Local Assessed Valuation		Tax Rate	Assessment
Education Tax	(no utilities) 699,469,467	2.45	1,713,219
All Other Taxes	704,469,467	13.04	9,186,763
			10,899,982

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**Town Warrant
State of New Hampshire - 2015**

THE POLLS WILL BE OPEN FROM 1:00 p.m. TO 7:00 p.m.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Newbury in the County of Merrimack in said state qualified to vote in the town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Office Building in said Newbury on Tuesday, the tenth (10) day of March, next at one of the clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

The Town shall recess the business portion of the meeting until Wednesday, March 11, 2015, at 7:00 p.m. at the Mount Sunapee Spruce Lodge - second floor - off Route 103 in Newbury.

2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,660,435 for general operations:

ANNUAL BUDGET	2014	Difference	2015
Executive	\$205,563	4,959	\$210,522
Elections	9,414	-4,401	5,013
Financial Administration	514,779	14,755	529,534
Legal Expenses	23,000	0	23,000
Personnel Administration	4,700	400	5,100
Planning	52,195	-6,854	45,341
Zoning	16,976	-4,819	12,157
General Government Buildings	58,921	6,405	65,326
Cemeteries	26,113	-538	25,575
Insurance	69,180	7,052	76,232
Other General Government	14,000	0	14,000
Police Department	515,217	2,464	517,681
Fire Department	\$191,013	26,447	217,460
Forest Fire	1,049	18	1,067

ANNUAL BUDGET	2014	Difference	2015
Code Enforcement	44,079	-625	43,454
Emergency Management	5,282	0	5,282
Highway Maintenance	647,809	40,939	688,748
Highway Reconstruction	195,000	20,000	215,000
Street Lighting	16,465	-3,465	13,000
Transfer Station	319,232	-13,009	306,223
Health Agencies	33,551	5,037	38,588
Welfare	22,769	0	22,769
Information Booth	6,723	361	7,084
Parks and Recreation	87,962	14,046	102,008
Library	143,004	18,303	161,307
Conservation Commission	2,685	332	3,017
Historical Society	1,000	0	1,000
Tax Anticipation Notes	100	0	100
Sewer Department	265,463	5,065	270,528
Bond/Note Principal	160,000	-160,000	0
Bond/Note Interest	8,000	-8,000	0
Safety Communication Services	29,149	5,170	34,319
Capital Outlay	0	0	0
TOTAL	\$3,690,393	-\$29,958	\$3,660,435

3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$231,000 to be placed in the following previously established capital reserve funds: (Recommended by the Selectmen)

FIRE EQUIPMENT	\$ 110,000
HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT	\$ 110,000
RECREATION FACILITIES	\$ 11,000

4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$103,000 to be placed in the following existing RSA 31:19-a maintenance expendable trust funds previously established: (Recommended by the Selectmen)

DOCKS	\$ 12,000
TOWN OFFICE EQUIPMENT	\$ 6,000

TOWN BUILDINGS	\$ 20,000
MILFOIL CONTROL	\$ 5,000
FD PERSONAL PROTECTION	\$ 10,000
PAVING	\$ 50,000

5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$158,250 for the purchase of a new loader, and furthermore to offset this amount by trading in the old loader for \$34,000 and to authorize the withdrawal of up to \$124,250 from the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. (Recommended by the Selectmen)

6. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$52,577 for a one-ton pickup truck equipped with a plow and sander and furthermore to offset this amount by trading in the existing 2008 one-ton dump truck, estimated to be \$8,000 and authorize the withdrawal of up to \$44,577 from the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. (Recommended by the Selectmen)

7. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$60,000 for a concept study with survey and geotechnical study for new safety services facilities.

8. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 for a Town Office basement fire-proof document storage room.

9. To see if the town will vote pursuant to NH RSA 35:9-a to authorize the Trustees of Trust Funds to pay for capital reserve fund investment management services, and any other expenses incurred, from capital reserve funds income. No vote by the town to rescind such authority shall occur within five years of the original adoption of this article.

10. To see if the town will vote to make the following changes to the town ordinance on fireworks:

1. The town shall charge an application fee in the amount of \$25 to cover administrative costs.
2. All permits shall be listed on the town website and the town bulletin board in the entrance to the town offices.
3. Firework permits shall be limited to three permits per address per calendar year. (By petition)

11. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$2,600 to be placed in the Cemetery Maintenance Trust Fund and authorize the transfer of \$2,600 from the December 31, 2014 undesignated fund balance for this purpose. Said sum represents the sale of cemetery lots in the prior fiscal year. (Recommended by the Selectmen)

12. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$150,000 for the Blodgett Landing Sewer Fund. (By petition) (Not recommended by the Selectmen)

13. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Newbury Board of Selectmen

_____	Richard Wright, Chair
_____	Gary Budd
_____	Edward Thorson

_____ Date Posted

NOTICE

If you own real estate lots that were involuntarily merged by municipal action, you may be able to have those lots restored to their pre-merger status. Your property may qualify if two or more lots were merged for zoning, assessing or taxation purposes and the merger occurred:

- During your ownership, without your consent; or
- Prior to your ownership, if no previous owner consented to the merger.

To restore your property to pre-merger status, you must:

- Make a request to the local governing body no later than December 31, 2016.

Once restored:

- Your properties will once again become separate lots. However, they must still conform to applicable land use ordinances. Restoration does not cure non-conformity.

This notice must be:

- *Posted continuously in a public place from January 1, 2012 until December 31, 2016; and*
- *Published in the 2011 through 2015 Annual Report.*

Read the Full statute at RSA 674:39-aa Restoration of Involuntarily Merged Lots.

**Budget for and Comparative Statement of Expenditures for
The Town of Newbury, NH
Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year
January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015**

Purpose of Appropriation	Appropriations Prior Fiscal Year	Actual Expenditures Prior Fiscal Year	Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year
RSA 32:3v			
General Government			
Executive	205,563	200,656	210,522
Election, Registration & Vital Statistics	9,414	8,681	5,013
Financial Administration	514,779	502,794	529,534
Legal Expenses	23,000	19,107	23,000
Personnel Administration	4,700	6,546	5,100
Planning	52,195	37,057	45,341
Zoning	16,976	12,326	12,157
General Government Buildings	58,921	56,299	65,326

Cemeteries	26,113	25,300	25,575
Insurance	69,180	84,807	76,232
Other General Government	14,000	11,578	14,000
Public Safety			
Police Department	515,217	485,643	517,681
Fire Department	192,062	203,528	218,527
Code Enforcement & Inspection	44,079	34,154	43,454
Emergency Management	5,282	4,838	5,282
Safety Communications Services	29,149	27,506	34,319
Highway			
Administration/Maintenance/Constr.	842,809	845,624	903,748
Street Lighting	16,465	12,001	13,000
Sanitation			
Solid Waste Collection	183,332	174,156	166,323
Solid Waste Disposal	121,600	103,644	125,600
Solid Waste Recycling	14,300	14,110	14,300

Health			
Health/Community/School Programs	33,551	32,050	38,588
Welfare			
Administration & Direct Assistance	22,769	12,046	22,769
Culture & Recreation			
Parks & Recreation	87,962	79,786	102,008
Library	143,004	138,600	161,307
Other	7,723	7,943	8,084
Conservation Commission			
Administration & Operations	2,685	3,135	3,017
Debt Service			
Principal: Long Term Bonds & Notes	160,000	160,000	0
Interest: Long Term Bonds & Notes	8,000	8,000	0
Interest: Tax Anticipation Notes	100	0	100
Bond Issuance Costs	0	0	0
Capital Outlay			
Land	0	0	0
Improvements	82,000	80,595	60,000

Machinery/Vehicles /Equipment	309,410	259,705	210,827
Buildings	25,000	26,400	15,000
Operating Transfers Out			
To Special Revenue Fund	265,463	257,542	270,528
To Capital Reserve Fund	184,000	184,000	231,000
To Expendable Trust Funds	68,800	68,800	105,600
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	4,359,603	4,188,957	4,282,862

	Revenue	
	2014 Revenue Estimate	2014 Actual Revenue
Revenue Source		2015 Revenue Estimate
Taxes		
Land Use Change Taxes	20,000	10,097
Yield Taxes	15,000	2,439
Payment In Lieu Of Taxes	21,820	21,820
Other Taxes	9,000	8,942
Int. & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	95,000	72,482
Excavation Activity Tax	500	348
Licenses/Permits & Fees		
Business Licenses & Permits	1,000	485
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	400,000	406,075
Building Permits	20,000	25,512
Other Licenses/Permits & Fees	4,500	4,861

From State				
Shared Revenue	0	0	0	0
Meals & Room Tax Distribution	100,857	100,857		105,000
Highway Block Grant	99,545	99,545		105,000
Forest Land Reimbursement	230	230		500
Other				
From Other Governments	200,000	186,054		200,000
Charges For Services				
Income From Departments	90,000	89,423		90,000
Miscellaneous Revenues				
Sale of Municipal Property	57,000	3,212		49,000
Interest on Investments	3,000	456		3,000
Other	6,000	6,374		6,000
Interfund Operating Transfers In				
Special Revenue Funds	265,463	265,463		270,528
Capital Reserve Funds	274,800	229,800		168,827
Cemetery	0	0		0

Other Financing Sources			
Long Term Bonds & Notes	0	0	0
Surplus	70,800	70,800	72,600
TOTAL REVENUES/CREDITS	1,754,515	1,605,275	1,664,955

	Year 2014 w/ articles	Year 2015 w/ articles
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	4,359,603	4,282,862
LESS ESTIMATED REVENUES	1,754,515	1,664,955
SUBTOTAL	2,605,088	2,617,907
ADD OVERLAY	23,279	25,000
ADD WAR SERVICE CREDITS	72,000	72,000
AMOUNT OF TAXES TO RAISE	2,700,367	2,714,907
LOCAL ASSESSED VALUATION	704,469,467	709,500,000
PROJECTED TOWN TAX RATE	\$3.84 Actual	\$3.83 Projected
Tax Rate % Change		-0.35%

New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services Clean Water SRF Loan Schedule

Print Date: 10/21/2014
Total Disbursed: 2,729,898
Interest rate: 0.72000%
Administrative Fee: 2.00000%
Term: 20 Years

Borrower: Newbury
Project Number: 333229-02

Ref Num	Due Date	Date Received	Beginning Balance	Principal Payment	Principal Forgiven	Interest Payment	Interest Rate %	Administrative Fees	Total Payment	Ending Balance
1	6/1/2011	12/29/2010	2,472,605.16	0.00	0.00	3,131.87	0.0100	0.00	3,131.87	2,472,605.16
2	6/1/2012	12/19/2012	2,607,028.30	0.00	0.00	54,495.76	0.7200	36,110.75	90,606.51	2,607,028.30
221487	6/1/2013	6/12/2013	2,729,898.06	70,919.40	1,364,949.03	309.09	0.7200	16,888.40	88,116.89	1,394,029.63
221650	6/1/2014	5/23/2014	1,294,029.63	52,919.29	0.00	9,317.01	0.7200	23,880.59	88,116.89	1,241,110.34
5	6/1/2015		1,241,110.34	54,338.69	0.00	8,935.99	0.7200	24,822.21	88,116.89	1,186,751.65
6	6/1/2016		1,186,751.65	55,837.25	0.00	8,544.61	0.7200	22,735.03	88,116.89	1,130,914.40
7	6/1/2017		1,130,914.40	57,356.02	0.00	8,142.58	0.7200	22,618.29	88,116.89	1,073,558.38
8	6/1/2018		1,073,558.38	58,916.10	0.00	7,729.62	0.7200	21,471.17	88,116.89	1,014,642.28
9	6/1/2019		1,014,642.28	60,518.62	0.00	7,305.42	0.7200	20,292.85	88,116.89	954,123.66
10	6/1/2020		954,123.66	62,164.73	0.00	6,869.69	0.7200	19,082.47	88,116.89	891,958.93
11	6/1/2021		891,958.93	63,855.61	0.00	6,422.10	0.7200	17,839.18	88,116.89	828,103.32
12	6/1/2022		828,103.32	65,592.48	0.00	5,962.34	0.7200	16,562.07	88,116.89	762,510.84
13	6/1/2023		762,510.84	67,376.59	0.00	5,490.08	0.7200	15,250.22	88,116.89	695,134.25
14	6/1/2024		695,134.25	69,209.23	0.00	5,004.97	0.7200	13,902.69	88,116.89	625,925.02
15	6/1/2025		625,925.02	71,091.73	0.00	4,586.66	0.7200	12,518.50	88,116.89	554,833.29
16	6/1/2026		554,833.29	73,025.42	0.00	3,994.80	0.7200	11,096.67	88,116.89	481,807.87
17	6/1/2027		481,807.87	75,011.71	0.00	3,489.02	0.7200	9,636.16	88,116.89	406,796.16
18	6/1/2028		406,796.16	77,052.04	0.00	2,928.93	0.7200	8,133.92	88,116.89	329,744.12
19	6/1/2029		329,744.12	79,147.85	0.00	2,374.16	0.7200	6,594.88	88,116.89	250,596.27
20	6/1/2030		250,596.27	81,300.67	0.00	1,804.29	0.7200	5,011.93	88,116.89	169,295.60
21	6/1/2031		169,295.60	83,512.05	0.00	1,218.93	0.7200	3,385.91	88,116.89	85,783.55
22	6/1/2032		85,783.55	85,783.55	0.00	617.64	0.7200	1,715.67	88,116.89	0.00
									332,551.56	1,858,076.15

New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services Clean Water SRF Loan Schedule

Print Date: 10/21/2014
Total Disbursed: 307,807
Interest rate: 0.9520%
Administrative Fee: 2.0000%
Term: 20 Years

Borrower: Newbury
Project Number: 229-01

Ref Num	Due Date	Date Received	Beginning Balance	Principal Payment	Interest Payment	Interest Rate %	Administrative Fees	Total Payment	Ending Balance
Adj1	2/1/2008	1/18/2008	0.00	0.00	1,627.92	0.0000	0.00	0.00	0.00
220951	1/1/2009	12/29/2008	307,807.03	0.00	3,078.07	1.0000	0.00	3,078.07	307,807.03
221051	1/1/2010	12/29/2009	307,807.03	0.00	3,078.07	1.0000	0.00	3,078.07	307,807.03
221156	1/1/2011	1/7/2011	307,807.03	15,390.35	2,930.32	0.9520	6,156.14	24,476.81	292,416.68
221288	1/1/2012	1/6/2012	292,416.68	15,390.35	2,783.81	0.9520	5,848.33	24,022.49	277,026.33
221438	1/1/2013	1/4/2013	277,026.33	15,390.35	2,637.29	0.9520	5,540.53	23,568.17	261,635.98
221607	1/1/2014	1/13/2014	261,635.98	15,390.35	2,490.77	0.9520	5,232.72	23,113.84	246,245.63
7	1/1/2015		246,245.63	15,390.35	2,344.26	0.9520	4,924.91	22,659.52	230,855.28
8	1/1/2016		230,855.28	15,390.35	2,197.74	0.9520	4,617.11	22,205.29	215,464.93
9	1/1/2017		215,464.93	15,390.35	2,051.23	0.9520	4,309.30	21,750.88	200,074.58
10	1/1/2018		200,074.58	15,390.35	1,904.71	0.9520	4,001.49	21,296.55	184,684.23
11	1/1/2019		184,684.23	15,390.35	1,758.19	0.9520	3,693.68	20,842.22	169,293.88
12	1/1/2020		169,293.88	15,390.35	1,611.68	0.9520	3,385.88	20,387.91	153,903.53
13	1/1/2021		153,903.53	15,390.35	1,465.16	0.9520	3,078.07	19,933.58	138,513.18
14	1/1/2022		138,513.18	15,390.35	1,318.65	0.9520	2,770.26	19,479.26	123,122.83
15	1/1/2023		123,122.83	15,390.35	1,172.13	0.9520	2,462.46	19,024.94	107,732.48
16	1/1/2024		107,732.48	15,390.35	1,025.61	0.9520	2,154.65	18,570.61	92,342.13
17	1/1/2025		92,342.13	15,390.35	879.10	0.9520	1,846.84	18,116.29	76,951.78
18	1/1/2026		76,951.78	15,390.35	732.58	0.9520	1,539.04	17,661.97	61,561.43
19	1/1/2027		61,561.43	15,390.35	586.06	0.9520	1,231.23	17,207.64	46,171.08
20	1/1/2028		46,171.08	15,390.35	439.55	0.9520	923.42	16,753.32	30,780.73
21	1/1/2029		30,780.73	15,390.35	293.03	0.9520	615.61	16,298.99	15,390.38
22	1/1/2030		15,390.38	15,390.38	146.52	0.9520	307.81	15,844.71	0.00
					38,552.45		64,639.48	409,371.04	
					307,807.03				

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Newbury
Newbury, New Hampshire

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Newbury as of and for the year ended December 31, 2013, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit includes performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting principles used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Newbury, as of December 31, 2013, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, budgetary comparison information, and schedule of funding progress for other postemployment benefits on pages 7 through 22 and 54 through 60 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Newbury's basic financial statements. The combining nonmajor fund financial statements are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining nonmajor fund financial statements are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining nonmajor fund financial statements are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Grzelak and Co., P.C.

GRZELAK & COMPANY, P.C., CPA's

Laconia, New Hampshire

May 28, 2014

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Town of Newbury
December 31, 2013

The Board of Selectmen and the Town Administrator, as "management" of the Town of Newbury (the "Town"), a local municipality located in the County of Merrimack, New Hampshire, submits this section of the Town's annual financial report in order to present our discussion and analysis of the Town's financial performance during the year ended December 31, 2013. Our discussion and analysis is in accordance with the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement 34 (GASB 34). Please read it in conjunction with the financial statements, which follow this section.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- The Town's total combined net position decreased by \$38,580 or 0% between December 31, 2012 and 2013.
- The Town's total combined net position amounted to \$13,141,681 at December 31, 2013. Net position consisted of: \$11,466,737 net investment in capital assets; \$770,180 restricted for capital reserves; \$476,146 restricted for other nonmajor funds for purposes of each established fund; and an unrestricted net asset balance of \$428,618.
- The Town has a \$1,983,270 liability for long-term obligations that, under GASB 34, reduces net position. This does not mean that the Town has this entire payment requirement for next year; rather, only \$251,380 of these obligations is due to be paid during the year ended December 31, 2013.
- The Town's long-term liabilities, consisting of general obligation bonds and notes, compensated absence obligations, capital leases, unamortized bond premiums, and other postemployment obligations decreased by a net (additions less reductions) \$229,467 during the year ended December 31, 2013. The net decrease consisted of \$59,410 in additions to the long-term liabilities and \$288,877 in current year reductions.
- During the year, the Town's expenses were \$38,580 more than the \$3,925,033 in revenues generated for charges for services, operating grants and contributions and general revenues (consisting of property taxes and local, state and federal grants and contributions not restricted to specific purposes).

MANAGEMENT’S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Town of Newbury
December 31, 2013

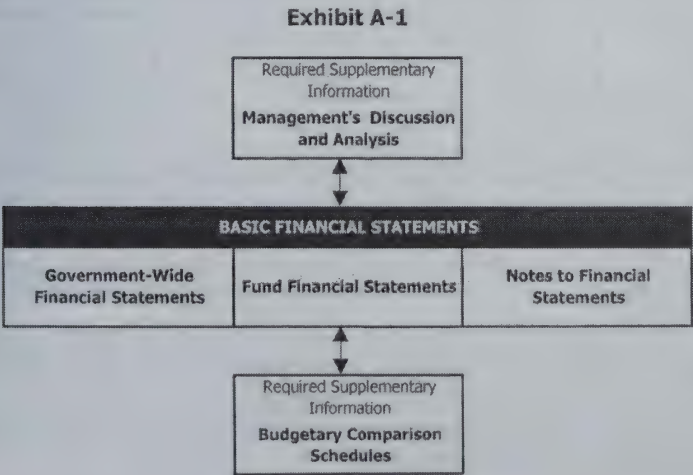
OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the Town’s basic financial statements. The Town’s financial statements are comprised of six primary sections or components: (1) basic government-wide financial statements, (full accrual financial statements), (2) basic fund financial statements, (modified accrual financial statements, current financial resources only), (3) notes to basic financial statements, (4) required supplementary information, (budgetary versus actual comparison), (5) notes to required supplementary information, and (6) other supplementary information.

The basic financial statements include two kinds of statements that present different views of the Town based upon measurement focus and basis of accounting.

- The first two statements are government-wide financial statements that provide both long-term and short-term information about the Town’s overall financial status.
- The remaining statements are fund financial statements that focus on individual parts of the Town, reporting the Town’s operations in more detail than the government-wide statements. The governmental funds statements tell how the Town’s services were financed in the short term as well as what remains for future spending. Fiduciary fund statements provide information about the financial relationships in which the Town acts solely as a trustee or agent for the benefit of others, to whom the resources belong.

The financial statements also include notes that explain some of the information in the financial statements and provide more detailed data. The statements are followed by a section of required supplementary information that further explains and supports the information in the financial statements. Exhibit A-1 shows how the required parts of this annual report are arranged and related to one another.



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Exhibit A-2 summarizes the major features of the Town's financial statements, including the portion of the Town government they cover and the types of information they contain.

Exhibit A-2

	Government-Wide	Fund Statements	
		Governmental	Fiduciary
SCOPE	Entire Town government (except fiduciary funds)	All activities of the Town that are not proprietary or fiduciary	Instances in which the Town is the trustee or agent for someone else's resources
REQUIRED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS	Statement of Net Position	Balance Sheet	Statement of Fiduciary Net Position
	Statement of Activities	Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances	Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position
ACCOUNTING BASIS	Accrual	Modified Accrual	Accrual
MEASUREMENT FOCUS	Economic Resources	Current Financial Resources	Economic Resources
TYPE OF INFORMATION ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS, AND LIABILITIES AND DEFERRED INFLOWS	All assets and deferred outflows, and liabilities and deferred inflows, both financial and capital, short-term and long-term	Only assets expected to be used up and liabilities that come due during the year or soon thereafter, no capital assets included	All assets and deferred outflows, and liabilities and deferred inflows, both short-term and long-term; the Agency funds do not currently have capital assets although they can
TYPE OF INFORMATION REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND EXPENDITURES	All revenues and expenses during the year, regardless of when cash is received or paid	Revenues for which cash is received during or soon after the end of the year, expenditures when goods or services have been received and payment is due during the year or soon thereafter	All revenues and expenses during the year, regardless of when cash is received or paid

The remainder of this overview section of management's discussion and analysis explains the structure and contents of each of the statements.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Town of Newbury
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Government-Wide Financial Statements:

The first two basic statements are government-wide financial statements that provide both long-term and short-term information about the Town's overall financial status and report net position and changes in them. Net position is the difference between (a) assets and deferred outflows of resources and (b) liabilities and deferred inflows of resources and is one way to measure the Town's financial health, or financial position.

- Over time, increases or decreases in the Town's net position are one indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating, respectively.
- In order to assess the overall health of the Town other non-financial factors should also be considered, such as changes in the Town's general revenues (principally property taxes and general state aid), and federal and state intergovernmental revenues (grant programs); the condition of the Town's buildings and other depreciable property (likelihood of emergency repairs or maintenance); and other items subject to significant financial or budgetary uncertainty.

The government-wide financial statements of the Town are included in the Governmental Activities category. Most of the Town's basic services are included here, such as executive, public safety, highway maintenance, sanitation, culture and recreation and conservation services. General revenues, including property taxes, state aid, and federal and state grant programs, finance most of these activities.

Fund Financial Statements:

The fund financial statements provide more detailed information about the Town's most significant funds, not the Town as a whole. Funds are accounting devices that the Town uses to keep track of specific sources of funding and spending for particular purposes. State law, regulation or bond covenants actually require the establishment of some funds, while others are established to comply with the requirements of grantors. The Town has two kinds of funds:

Governmental Funds - Most of the Town's basic services are included in governmental funds, which focus on (1) how cash and other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash flow in and out and (2) the balances left at year-end that are available for spending. Consequently, the governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view that helps determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the Town's programs. Because information does not encompass the additional long-term focus of the government-wide statements, we provide additional information on the subsequent page that explains the relationships (or differences) between them.

Fiduciary Funds - The Town is responsible for other assets that, because of an agency arrangement, can be used only for the intended purposes. These funds are excluded from the Town's government-wide financial statements because the Town cannot use these assets to finance its operations.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Town of Newbury
December 31, 2013

CONDENSED FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND ANALYSIS OF THE TOWN AS A WHOLE Net position

Exhibit B-1 shows the composition of the Town's total combined net position, which decreased between December 31, 2012 and 2013 by \$38,580 or 0% to \$13,141,681.

Exhibit B-1 NET POSITION

	Governmental Activities		
	2012	2013	Change
Assets			
Current and other assets	\$ 4,370,849	\$ 4,608,502	\$ 237,653
Noncurrent assets	<u>13,603,844</u>	<u>13,201,587</u>	<u>(402,257)</u>
Total assets	<u>17,974,693</u>	<u>17,810,089</u>	<u>(164,604)</u>
Deferred Outflows of Resources			
Deferred outflows of resources	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total deferred outflows of resources	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Liabilities			
Current liabilities	2,851,518	2,936,518	85,000
Noncurrent liabilities (as restated)	<u>1,942,914</u>	<u>1,731,890</u>	<u>(211,024)</u>
Total liabilities	<u>4,794,432</u>	<u>4,668,408</u>	<u>(126,024)</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources			
Deferred inflows of resources	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total deferred inflows of resources	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net Position			
Net investment in capital assets	11,609,676	11,466,737	(142,939)
Restricted	1,220,638	1,246,326	25,688
Unrestricted	<u>349,947</u>	<u>428,618</u>	<u>78,671</u>
Total net position	<u>\$ 13,180,261</u>	<u>\$ 13,141,681</u>	<u>\$ (38,580)</u>

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Town of Newbury
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A portion of the net position is either invested in capital assets or restricted as to the purposes they can be used for.

- The Town's investment in capital assets (land and land improvements, construction in progress, buildings, furniture and equipment and infrastructure, net of accumulated depreciation), net of related debt, is the largest component of the total combined net position.
- Restricted net position represent capital project, capital reserves and specific fund net asset amounts that are not available for discretionary spending.

Unrestricted net position is a positive of \$428,618; it is the result of having resources that are more than liabilities.

Change in Net position

The Town's total revenues were \$3,925,033 while total expenses were \$3,963,613, resulting in a decrease in net position of \$38,580.

Exhibit B-2 shows that a significant portion of the Town's total revenues came from the following general revenue sources; 67.80% from property taxes, 15.15% from local sources and unrestricted fees and, 10.40% from State of New Hampshire source intergovernmental revenues primarily derived from state aid programs. Program revenues directly associated with a specific department accounted for the following percentages of total revenues, charges for services provided 13.94% of total revenues while operating grants and contributions provided 3.12% of total revenues.

Exhibit B-2 SOURCES OF TOWN REVENUES

Governmental Activities							
	2012		2013		Change		
Program Revenues							
Charges for services	\$	533,793	12.39%	\$	547,155	13.94%	\$ 13,362 2.50%
Operating grants and contributions		152,462	3.54%		122,363	3.12%	(30,099) -19.74%
General Revenues							
Property taxes		2,694,417	62.56%		2,661,106	67.80%	(33,311) -1.24%
Local sources		405,322	9.41%		408,243	10.40%	2,921 0.72%
State of New Hampshire sources		446,095	10.36%		92,933	2.37%	(353,162) -79.17%
Other sources		74,783	1.74%		93,233	2.38%	18,450 24.67%
	\$	4,306,872	100.00%	\$	3,925,033	100.00%	\$ (381,839) -8.87%

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

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Exhibit B-3 shows that 23.75% of the Town's total expenses were for general government, public safety expenses accounted for 17.02% of total expenses, while 21.29% were for maintenance of highways and streets and 11.06% were for sanitation expenses.

Exhibit B-3 TOWN EXPENSES

Governmental Activities

	2012		2013		Change	
Functions / Programs						
General government	\$	881,747 24.69%	\$	941,452 23.75%	\$	59,705 6.77%
Public safety		627,877 17.58%		674,764 17.02%		46,887 7.47%
Highways and streets		615,469 17.23%		844,019 21.29%		228,550 37.13%
Sanitation		424,805 11.89%		438,290 11.06%		13,485 3.17%
Health		28,667 0.80%		29,251 0.74%		584 2.04%
Welfare		10,751 0.30%		8,756 0.22%		(1,995) -18.56%
Culture and recreation		228,713 6.40%		241,435 6.09%		12,722 5.56%
Conservation		1,884 0.05%		3,217 0.08%		1,333 70.75%
Debt service		115,869 3.24%		18,114 0.46%		(97,755) -84.37%
Capital outlay		10,158 0.28%		70,669 1.78%		60,511 595.70%
Payments to other governments		- 0.00%		2,165 0.05%		2,165 0.00%
Other financing uses		4,409 0.12%		33,124 0.84%		28,715 651.28%
Unallocated						
Depreciation		621,487 17.40%		658,357 16.61%		36,870 5.93%
	\$	3,571,836 100.00%	\$	3,963,613 100.00%	\$	391,777 10.97%

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Governmental Activities

Exhibit B-4 presents the net cost of the Town's largest functions based upon the total expense, less charges for services and operating grants and contributions, of each function. The net cost reflects the amount that was funded by general revenues (principally property taxes and general state aid).

Exhibit B-4 TOTAL AND NET COST OF SERVICES

	2012		2013	
	Total Cost of Services	Net Cost of Services	Total Cost of Services	Net Cost of Services
Functions / Programs				
General government	\$ 881,747	\$ 685,520	\$ 941,452	\$ 711,227
Public safety	627,877	618,010	674,764	666,586
Highways and streets	615,469	507,757	844,019	730,118
Sanitation	424,805	91,001	438,290	155,444
Health	28,667	28,667	29,251	29,251
Welfare	10,751	10,305	8,756	7,532
Culture and recreation	228,713	190,514	241,435	208,291
Conservation	1,884	1,884	3,217	3,217
Debt Service	115,869	115,869	18,114	18,114
Capital outlay	10,158	10,158	70,669	70,669
Payments to other governments	-	-	2,165	2,165
Other financing uses/nonoperating expenses	4,409	4,409	33,124	33,124
Unallocated				
Depreciation	621,487	621,487	658,357	658,357
	<u>\$ 3,571,836</u>	<u>\$ 2,885,581</u>	<u>\$ 3,963,613</u>	<u>\$ 3,294,095</u>

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The total cost of all governmental activities this year was \$3,963,613; the total net cost was \$3,294,095. The primary financing for these activities of the Town was as follows:

Taxes

- The amount that was paid by taxpayers was \$2,661,106 from property taxes, \$61,900 from land use change taxes, \$18,655 from yield taxes, \$251 from excavation taxes, and \$7,987 from other taxes.
- Payments in lieu of taxes in the amount of \$549.
- Interest collected on delinquent taxes was \$57,673, while abatements charged against current year taxes were \$20,249.

Local Sources

- Motor vehicle permit fees amounted to \$373,071.
- Other miscellaneous permits and fees amounted to \$35,172.

State Sources

- Meals and rental tax distributions were received in the amount of \$92,933.

Miscellaneous Revenues

- Sale of municipal property in the amount of \$26,444.
- Earnings on investments amounted to \$1,011.
- Contributions and donations were received in the amount of \$13,946.
- Other miscellaneous sources were received in the amount of \$15,081.
- Other financing sources totaled \$36,751.

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ANALYSIS OF BALANCES AND TRANSACTIONS OF THE TOWN'S INDIVIDUAL FUNDS

General Fund

The general fund balance increased \$82,031 during the year from a surplus balance of \$1,367,349 at December 31, 2012 to a \$1,449,380 fund balance at December 31, 2013. The December 31, 2013 fund balance consisted of \$770,180 restricted for capital reserves, \$800 committed by town meeting vote, and an unassigned fund balance in the amount of \$678,400.

Restricted expendable maintenance and capital reserve funds (established by voters at an annual Town meeting as trust funds in accordance with statutory requirements) are combined with the general fund in the basic financial statements. The capital reserve fund balances were \$770,180 at December 31, 2013. In accordance with statutory requirements they are held by the Trustees of Trust Funds and are only released for the restricted specific purposes of the individual funds.

Nonmajor Governmental Funds

Library Fund

The library fund is classified as a special revenue fund and is aggregated in the category nonmajor governmental funds in the basic financial statements. The library fund is used to account for contributions and donations managed by the Library Trustees.

Blodgett Sewer Fund

The sewer fund is classified as a special revenue fund and is aggregated in the category nonmajor governmental funds in the basic financial statements. The sewer fund balance increased \$4,737 during the year from a surplus balance of \$152,466 at December 31, 2012 to a balance of \$157,203 at December 31, 2013.

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Recreation Revolving Fund

The recreation revolving fund is classified as a special revenue fund and is aggregated in the category nonmajor governmental funds in the basic financial statements. The recreation fund was created by town meeting to account for program activities. The fund had a balance of \$8,324 at December 31, 2013.

Conservation Fund

The conservation fund is classified as a special revenue fund and is aggregated in the category nonmajor governmental funds in the basic financial statements. The conservation fund is financed from a portion of the land use change tax collections during the year. The conservation fund had a fund balance of \$184,923 at December 31, 2013.

Beautification Committee Fund

The beautification fund is classified as a special revenue fund and is aggregated in the category nonmajor governmental funds in the basic financial statements. The beautification fund is financed through local donations. The beautification fund had a fund balance of \$10,914 at December 31, 2013.

Veteran's Memorial Fund

The Veteran's Memorial fund is classified as a special revenue fund and is aggregated in the category nonmajor governmental funds in the basic financial statements. The Veteran's Memorial fund is used to account for donations to maintain the Veteran's Memorial. The balance in the fund as of December 31, 2013 was \$100.

Blodgett Sewer Project Fund

The Blodgett sewer project fund is classified as a capital project fund and is aggregated in the category nonmajor governmental funds in the basic financial statements. The Blodgett sewer project fund is used to account for the improvement of the wastewater treatment facility in the Blodgett area. The project is funded by general obligation debt and grants and was substantially completed as of December 31, 2013.

Hazard Mitigation Fund

The Hazard Mitigation fund is classified as a capital project fund and is aggregated in the category nonmajor governmental funds in the basic financial statements. The Hazard Mitigation fund is used to account for a grant to clean up hazardous sites.

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Common Trust Funds

The common trust funds are classified as permanent funds and are aggregated in the category nonmajor governmental funds in the basic financial statements. The common trust funds balance at December 31, 2013 is comprised of \$102,295 of nonspendable endowments and \$23,401 of restricted fund balance for its intended purpose.

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GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

For the year ended December 31, 2013 the Town did not revise its statutory budgetary line items; rather, the Town's budgetary control was managed on an aggregate total budget-to-actual basis; total estimated revenues and appropriations versus actual revenues and expenditures.

Final Versus Original Budget Comparison

The original and final budget amounts were the same for the year ended December 31, 2013.

Actual Versus Final Budget Comparison

The amounts of actual inflows (resources) and outflows (charges to appropriations) varied from the final budget for the following significant items:

- Actual inflows (resources) were more than the budgetary revenue estimates by \$92,065.
- Actual total outflows (expenditures or charges to appropriations) were less than the budgeted total appropriation by \$49,893.

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CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets

At December 31, 2013, the Town had invested \$13,201,587 (\$28,054,214 at cost or estimated cost less accumulated depreciation of \$14,852,627) in a broad range of capital assets, including land and land improvements, infrastructure, buildings, vehicles and furniture and equipment as summarized in Exhibit C-1.

This amount represents a net decrease of 2.96% from the prior year. This year major additions are also summarized in Exhibit C-1.

Exhibit C-1 NET CAPITAL ASSETS AND MAJOR ADDITIONS

Net Capital Assets	Governmental Activities		
	2012	2013	Change
Land and improvements	\$ 5,648,217	\$ 6,506,426	15.19%
Construction in progress	878,858	8,229	-99.06%
Infrastructure	13,909,429	13,909,429	0.00%
Buildings	3,569,511	3,591,378	0.61%
Vehicles	2,127,825	2,124,629	-0.15%
Machinery and equipment	1,743,477	1,781,846	2.20%
Technology equipment	132,277	132,277	0.00%
Capital assets, at cost	28,009,594	28,054,214	0.16%
Accumulated depreciation	(14,405,750)	(14,852,627)	-3.10%
Capital assets, net	\$ 13,603,844	\$ 13,201,587	-2.96%
Increase in Capital Assets, Net		\$ (402,257)	
Changes			
Land and Improvement additions		\$ 875,709	
Construction in progress		(870,629)	
Building additions		21,867	
Vehicle purchases		186,525	
Machinery and equipment additions		21,815	
Gain (Loss) on disposals		20,813	
Depreciation		(658,357)	
		\$ (402,257)	

More detailed information about the Town's capital assets is presented in the notes to the basic financial statements.

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Debt

At December 31, 2013, the Town had \$1,731,890 of long-term obligations (\$1,983,270 in total obligations less the current portion of \$251,380) as summarized in Exhibit C-2.

This amount represents a net decrease of 10.86% from the prior year.

Exhibit C-2 LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

Long-Term Liabilities	Governmental Activities		
	2012	2013	Change
General obligation bonds	\$ 1,974,425	\$ 1,715,666	-13.11%
Capital leases	19,743	19,184	-2.83%
Compensated absences	116,840	123,867	6.01%
OPEB obligations (as restated)	81,129	114,253	40.83%
Unamortized bond premium	20,600	10,300	-50.00%
	2,212,737	1,983,270	-10.37%
Less current portion	(269,823)	(251,380)	6.84%
	<u>\$ 1,942,914</u>	<u>\$ 1,731,890</u>	<u>-10.86%</u>
Net Change		<u>\$ (211,024)</u>	
Changes			
New capital lease obligation		\$ 19,259	
Principal payment on general obligation debt		(258,759)	
Principal payment on capital leases		(19,818)	
Change in compensated absences		7,027	
Change in OPEB obligations		33,124	
Amortization of bond premium		(10,300)	
Change in current portion		18,443	
		<u>\$ (211,024)</u>	

State law (RSA 195:6II) limits the amount of general obligation debt that the Town may incur at any one time to 1.75% of the locally assessed valuation as equalized by the Commissioner of the New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration. At December 31, 2013, the Town was significantly below its legal debt limit of approximately \$12,479,452.

More detailed information about the Town's long-term liabilities is presented in the notes to the basic financial statements.

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ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGETS AND RATES

The Town Administrator, Department Heads and the Selectmen considered many factors when submitting the 2014 budget to the municipal Budget Committee and the town voters.

These considerations included the following:

1. Local revenues are showing increases notably they include motor vehicle registrations and building permits.
2. The Select board's/Budget Committee's desire to keep the tax rate level.
3. An appropriation of \$274,800 for a purchase of a Grader was authorized by town meeting but the source of revenue was the capital reserve.
4. An appropriation of \$82,000 for the construction of a second athletic field at Fishersfield, of this amount \$45,000 will come from the Recreational Facilities Capital Reserve Fund, the balance from general taxation.
5. An appropriation of \$25,000 to construct an addition to the transfer station, these funds are to come from general taxation.
6. Paving was kept at the same level as last year.
7. For now the Select board has delayed any implementation of a safety services building due to economic considerations.
8. The town continues to fund its capital reserves/expandable trust funds in the same manner as we have in the past.
9. For the FY 2014 The town will see the new senior center project being occupied, however this project will not increase the ad valorem tax base for the town because they are a nontaxable entity, however the town will receive a payment in lieu of taxes from the entity.

CONTACTING THE TOWN'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, investors and creditors with a general overview of the Town's finances and to show the Town's accountability for the money it receives. If you have any questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Town Administrator.

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Balance Sheet
Governmental Funds
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	General Fund	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,618,633	\$ 11,886	\$ 2,630,519
Investments	818,230	428,345	1,246,575
Property taxes receivable	437,307	-	437,307
Timber taxes receivable	174	-	174
Tax liens receivable	213,020	-	213,020
Accounts receivable	53,624	24,852	78,476
Other receivables	2,431	-	2,431
Due from other funds	-	65,539	65,539
Total assets	<u>\$ 4,143,419</u>	<u>\$ 530,622</u>	<u>\$ 4,674,041</u>
Liabilities and Fund Balances			
Liabilities:			
Accounts payable	\$ 50,269	\$ -	\$ 50,269
Accrued expenses	16,323	-	16,323
Due to other governments	2,616,384	-	2,616,384
Due to other funds	11,063	54,476	65,539
Total liabilities	<u>2,694,039</u>	<u>54,476</u>	<u>2,748,515</u>
Fund balances:			
Nonspendable	-	102,295	102,295
Restricted	770,180	64,873	835,053
Committed	800	361,364	362,164
Assigned	-	-	-
Unassigned	678,400	(52,386)	626,014
Total fund balances	<u>1,449,380</u>	<u>476,146</u>	<u>1,925,526</u>
Total liabilities and fund balances	<u>\$ 4,143,419</u>	<u>\$ 530,622</u>	<u>\$ 4,674,041</u>

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Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances Governmental Funds Year Ended December 31, 2013

	General Fund	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues			
Taxes	\$ 2,661,106	\$ -	\$ 2,661,106
Licenses, permits and fees	408,243	-	408,243
Federal sources	13,527	-	13,527
State of NH sources	191,842	-	191,842
Charges for services	232,034	281,791	513,825
Miscellaneous revenues	81,008	17,720	98,728
Investment income	760	251	1,011
Total revenues	<u>3,588,520</u>	<u>299,762</u>	<u>3,888,282</u>
Expenditures			
Current:			
General government	959,805	3	959,808
Public safety	716,814	-	716,814
Highways and streets	843,092	-	843,092
Sanitation	296,577	142,244	438,821
Health	29,251	-	29,251
Welfare	8,756	-	8,756
Culture and recreation	205,195	37,721	242,916
Conservation	3,217	-	3,217
Debt service:			
Principal	160,000	86,310	246,310
Interest	16,000	25,375	41,375
Capital outlay	252,176	5,080	257,256
Payments to other governments	2,165	-	2,165
Total expenditures	<u>3,493,048</u>	<u>296,733</u>	<u>3,789,781</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	95,472	3,029	98,501
Other Financing Sources (Uses)			
Transfers in	-	32,700	32,700
Transfers out	(32,700)	-	(32,700)
Proceeds from long-term notes and bonds	-	15,938	15,938
Capital lease financing	19,259	-	19,259
Net change in fund balances	82,031	51,667	133,698
Fund balances - beginning of year	<u>1,367,349</u>	<u>424,479</u>	<u>1,791,828</u>
Fund balances - end of year	<u>\$ 1,449,380</u>	<u>\$ 476,146</u>	<u>\$ 1,925,526</u>

The accompanying notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

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NOTE 6 - CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the Town for the year ended December 31, 2013 was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Additions	Disposals	Ending Balance
Governmental Activities (at cost)				
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Land and improvements	\$ 1,858,114	\$ -	\$ 17,500	\$ 1,840,614
Construction in progress	878,858	(870,629)	-	8,229
	<u>2,736,972</u>	<u>(870,629)</u>	<u>17,500</u>	<u>1,848,843</u>
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Land improvements	3,790,103	875,709	-	4,665,812
Infrastructure	13,909,429	-	-	13,909,429
Buildings	3,569,511	21,867	-	3,591,378
Vehicles	2,127,825	186,525	189,721	2,124,629
Machinery and equipment	1,743,477	21,815	(16,554)	1,781,846
Technology equipment	132,277	-	-	132,277
	<u>25,272,622</u>	<u>1,105,916</u>	<u>173,167</u>	<u>26,205,371</u>
Less accumulated depreciation:				
Land improvements	302,394	116,303	-	418,697
Infrastructure	9,958,559	183,144	6,147	10,135,556
Buildings	1,396,910	124,767	-	1,521,677
Vehicles	1,287,610	138,136	195,960	1,229,786
Machinery and equipment	1,355,295	87,864	10,821	1,432,338
Technology equipment	104,982	8,143	(1,448)	114,573
Accumulated depreciation	<u>14,405,750</u>	<u>658,357</u>	<u>211,480</u>	<u>14,852,627</u>
Capital assets being depreciated, net	<u>10,866,872</u>	<u>447,559</u>	<u>(38,313)</u>	<u>11,352,744</u>
Governmental activities capital assets, Net of accumulated depreciation	<u>\$ 13,603,844</u>	<u>\$ (423,070)</u>	<u>\$ (20,813)</u>	<u>\$ 13,201,587</u>

Depreciation expense for the year ended December 31, 2013 (unallocated)

\$ 658,357

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NOTE 7 - LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

The Town can issue general obligation debt instruments to provide funds for the acquisition and construction of major capital equipment, infrastructure and other facilities. General obligation debt instruments are "direct government obligations" and consequently are a pledge of the full faith and credit of the Town. The Town is obligated under certain leases accounted for as capital leases. The leased assets are accounted for as capital assets and capital lease liabilities in the government-wide financial statements. In the governmental fund financial statements the lease is recorded as an expenditure and other financing source in the year executed; annual lease payments are recorded as expenditures when paid. Other long-term obligations include compensated absences and early retirement obligations.

A summary of long-term liabilities outstanding at December 31, 2013 is as follows:

	General Obligation Debt	Capital Leases Obligations	Compensated Absences	Unamortized Bond Premium	OPEB Obligations (as restated)	Total
Beginning balance	\$ 1,974,425	\$ 19,743	\$ 116,840	\$ 20,600	\$ 81,129	\$ 2,212,737
Additions	-	19,259	7,027	-	33,124	59,410
Reductions	(258,759)	(19,818)	-	(10,300)	-	(288,877)
Ending balance	1,715,666	19,184	123,867	10,300	114,253	1,983,270
Current portion	228,309	12,771	-	10,300	-	251,380
Noncurrent portion	1,487,357	6,413	123,867	-	114,253	1,731,890
	\$ 1,715,666	\$ 19,184	\$ 123,867	\$ 10,300	\$ 114,253	\$ 1,983,270

Long-term liabilities outstanding at December 31, 2013 consisted of the following:

	Issue Year	Interest Rate	Maturity Date	Original Amount of Issue	Balance Outstanding
General Obligation Bonds					
Highway Garage and Town Office	2004	3.63%	2014	\$ 1,647,000	\$ 160,000
State Revolving Loan Proceeds	2010	0.86%	5/1/2031	1,315,860	1,294,029
Clean Water Revolving Loan	2011	0.952%	1/1/2030	307,807	261,637
					1,715,666
Capital Lease Obligations					
Ford motor credit - Interceptor	2012		2014	20,189	6,722
Ford motor credit - Interceptor	2013		2015	19,259	12,462
					19,184
Other Long-Term Obligations					
Compensated absences					123,867
Unamortized bond premium					10,300
OPEB obligations					114,253
					248,420
					\$ 1,983,270

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Annual debt service requirements to maturity for general obligation debt are as follows:

	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2014	\$ 228,309	\$ 45,688	\$ 273,997
2015	69,749	36,102	105,851
2016	71,227	34,478	105,705
2017	72,746	32,812	105,558
2018	74,306	31,106	105,412
After	<u>1,199,329</u>	<u>230,422</u>	<u>1,429,751</u>
	<u>\$ 1,715,666</u>	<u>\$ 410,608</u>	<u>\$ 2,126,274</u>

Obligations under capital lease are as follows:

2014	\$ 13,922
2015	6,797
2016	-
After	<u>-</u>
Total minimum lease payments	20,719
Less amount representing imputed interest	<u>(1,535)</u>
Present value of minimum lease payments	<u>\$ 19,184</u>

NOTE 11 - POST-RETIREMENT HEALTH CARE

Plan description and annual OPEB cost

Benefits provided to retirees follow New Hampshire Statute 100-A:50 (Medical Insurance Coverage). This statute states that the town "shall permit its employees upon retirement to continue to participate in the same medical insurance or health care group or plan as its active employees. Retired employees shall be deemed to be part of the same group as active employees of the same employer for purposes of determining medical insurance premiums. Coverage for spouses, other family members and beneficiaries of retirees shall also be permitted to the extent that coverage is provided for the spouses, other family members and beneficiaries of active employees..." In addition, the statute states "Each political subdivision, as employer, may elect to pay the full cost of group medical insurance or health care coverage for its retirees, or may require each retiree to pay any part or all of the cost of the retiree's participation."

The Town provides medical benefits to its eligible retirees. The benefits are provided through fully insured plans that are sponsored by a state-wide health insurance consortium. Employee groups are eligible to retire after reaching age 55. Retirees are required to pay 100% of the cost for coverage. This valuation does not account for the cost of benefits to retirees or their spouses after age 65. Surviving beneficiaries continue to receive coverage after the death of the eligible retired employee but are required to pay 100% of the cost.

The Town has implemented GASB Statement 45, Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Post-Employment Benefits Other than Pensions. This required the Town to calculate and record a net other post-employment benefit obligation at year end. The Town used the alternative measurement method to prepare this valuation permitted by Statement 45. The net other post-employment benefit obligation is basically the cumulative difference between the required contribution and the actual contributions made.

Currently, 0 retired employees receive health benefits from the Town. The Town recognizes the cost of providing health insurance annually as expenditures in the General Fund of the funds financial statements as payments are made. For the year ended December 31, 2013, the Town recognized \$0 for its share of insurance premiums for currently enrolled retirees.

The Town's most recent valuation report indicates that the total liability for other post-employment benefits is \$265,268 (\$0 related to retirees and \$265,268 related to employees).

The Town's annual other post-employment benefit (OPEB) cost (expense) for its plan is calculated based on the annual required contribution of the employer (ARC), an amount determined in accordance with the parameters of GASB Statement 45. The ARC represents a level of funding that, if paid on an ongoing basis, is projected to cover normal cost each year and to amortize any unfunded liabilities (or funding excess) over a period not to exceed thirty years.

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The following table shows the components of the Town's annual OPEB cost for the year, the amount actually contributed to the plan, and changes in the Town's net OPEB obligation:

	For the Year Ended December 31, 2013
Annual Required Contribution (ARC)	\$ 34,480
Interest on Net OPEB Obligation	3,245
Adjustment to ARC (if Applicable)	(4,601)
Annual OPEB Cost (Expense)	33,124
Contributions Made - Active Employees Premium Subsidy Paid	-
Increase (Decrease) in Net OPEB Obligation	33,124
Net OPEB Obligation - Beginning of Year (as restated)	81,129
Net OPEB Obligation - End of Year	\$ 114,253

The Town's annual OPEB cost, the percentage of annual OPEB cost contributed to the plan, and the net OPEB obligation were as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending	Annual OPEB Cost	Percentage of Annual OPEB Cost Contributed	Net OPEB Obligation
December 31, 2013	\$ 33,124	0%	\$114,253

As the most recent valuation date, the plan was 0% funded. The accrued liability for benefits was \$265,268 and the value of assets was \$0, resulting in an unfunded accrued liability (UAL) of \$265,268. The covered payroll (annual payroll of active employees covered by the plan) was \$1,120,115 and the ratio of the UAL to the covered payroll was 23.7%. Valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Examples include assumptions about future employment, mortality, and the healthcare cost trend. Amounts determined regarding the funded status of the plan and the annual required contributions of the employer are subject to continual revision as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future. The schedule of funding progress, presented as required supplementary information following the notes to the financial statements, presents multiyear trend information about whether the value of plan assets is increasing or decreasing over time relative to the accrued liabilities for benefits.

Cost methods and assumptions

Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employer and the plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing of benefit costs between the employer and plan members to that point. The cost methods and assumptions used include techniques that are designed to reduce the effects of short-term volatility in accrued liabilities and the value of assets, consistent with the long-term perspective of the calculations.

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In the most recent valuation, the Projected Unit Credit cost method was used, the assumptions included a 4.00% investment rate of return (net of administrative expenses), which is a blended rate of the expected long-term investment returns on plan assets and on the employer's own investments calculated based on the funded level of the plan at the valuation date.

The annual healthcare cost trend rates below were applied:

Year	Medical
12/31/2013	7.87%
12/31/2014	10.00%
12/31/2015	9.00%
12/31/2016	8.00%
12/31/2017	7.00%
12/31/2018	6.00%
12/31/2019	5.00%

The remaining amortization period at December 31, 2013 was 29 years.

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Budgetary Comparison Schedule - General Fund Year Ended December 31, 2013

	Original			
	Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance
Budgetary Fund Balance - Beginning	\$ 2,100	\$ 33,948	\$ 571,190	\$ 537,242
Resources (inflows):				
Taxes				
Property taxes	10,408,334	10,408,334	10,416,393	8,059
Taxes assessed for school	(5,843,417)	(5,843,417)	(5,843,417)	-
Taxes assessed for county	(2,016,724)	(2,016,724)	(2,016,724)	-
Taxes Assessed for precinct	(22,018)	(22,018)	(21,912)	106
Land use change taxes	40,000	40,000	61,900	21,900
Timber taxes	10,000	10,000	18,655	8,655
Payments in lieu of taxes	1,000	1,000	549	(451)
Other taxes	9,000	9,000	7,987	(1,013)
Interest and penalties on delinquent taxes	65,000	65,000	57,673	(7,327)
Excavation tax	500	500	251	(249)
Provision for overlay and abatements	(70,340)	(70,340)	(20,249)	50,091
Licenses, permits and fees				
Business licenses and permits	1,000	1,000	300	(700)
Motor vehicle permit fees	370,000	370,000	373,071	3,071
Building permits	30,000	30,000	29,754	(246)
Other licenses, permits and fees	4,000	4,000	5,118	1,118
Federal sources				
Fema grant	-	-	13,527	13,527
State of NH sources				
Meals and rental tax distribution	92,933	92,933	92,933	-
Highway block grant	98,665	98,665	98,410	(255)
State and federal forest land reimbursement	504	504	499	(5)
Charges for services				
Income from departments	216,000	216,000	208,803	(7,197)
Garbage-refuse charges	19,000	19,000	23,231	4,231
Miscellaneous revenues				
Special assessments	-	-	4,230	4,230
Sale of municipal property	15,000	15,000	26,444	11,444
Interest on investments	5,000	5,000	477	(4,523)
Rents of property	-	-	225	225
Insurance dividends and reimbursements	-	-	43,032	43,032
Other miscellaneous sources	5,000	5,000	7,077	2,077
Interfund operating transfers in				
Transfers from special revenue funds	283,097	283,097	225,362	(57,735)
Actual inflows (excluding fund balance)	3,721,534	3,721,534	3,813,599	92,065
Amounts available for appropriation	\$ 3,723,634	\$ 3,755,482	\$ 4,384,789	\$ 629,307

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Budgetary Comparison Schedule - General Fund Year Ended December 31, 2013

	Original			
	Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance
Charges to appropriations (outflows):				
General government				
Executive	\$ 199,402	\$ 199,402	\$ 199,748	\$ (346)
Election and registration	4,438	4,438	3,125	1,313
Financial administration	488,315	520,163	524,277	(4,114)
Legal expense	23,000	23,000	17,334	5,666
Personnel administration	4,600	4,600	4,572	28
Planning and zoning	68,202	68,202	57,700	10,502
General government building	58,971	58,971	56,025	2,946
Cemeteries	25,587	25,587	26,982	(1,395)
Insurance not otherwise allocated	64,260	64,260	64,200	60
Other general government	14,000	14,000	5,842	8,158
Public safety				
Police	498,202	498,202	488,072	10,130
Fire	177,696	177,696	170,041	7,655
Building inspection	30,924	30,924	29,743	1,181
Emergency management	5,282	5,282	4,094	1,188
Other public safety	24,825	24,825	24,864	(39)
Highways and streets				
Highways and streets	825,584	825,584	830,901	(5,317)
Street lighting	16,465	16,465	12,191	4,274
Sanitation				
Administration	179,173	179,173	176,685	2,488
Solid waste disposal	121,600	121,600	104,903	16,697
Solid waste clean-up	14,800	14,800	14,989	(189)
Health				
Health agencies and hospitals	30,751	30,751	29,251	1,500
Welfare				
Administration	-	-	2,905	(2,905)
Direct assistance	22,769	22,769	5,851	16,918
Culture and recreation				
Parks and recreation	87,812	87,812	87,891	(79)
Library	111,239	111,239	110,515	724
Other culture and recreation	7,703	7,703	6,789	914
Conservation				
Administration	2,237	2,237	2,217	20
Other conservation	-	-	1,000	(1,000)
Debt service				
Principal on long term bonds and notes	160,000	160,000	160,000	-
Interest on long term bonds and notes	16,000	16,000	16,000	-
Interest on tax anticipation notes	100	100	-	100

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Budgetary Comparison Schedule - General Fund
Year Ended December 31, 2013

	Original		Actual	Variance
	Budget	Final Budget		
Capital outlay				
Machinery, vehicles, and equipment	\$ 233,097	\$ 233,097	\$ 178,291	\$ 54,806
Improvements other than buildings	7,500	7,500	7,855	(355)
Other	-	-	46,771	(46,771)
Interfund operating transfers out				
Transfer to special revenue funds	-	-	32,700	(32,700)
Transfer to capital reserves	199,100	199,100	199,100	-
Payments to other governments				
Payments to other governments	-	-	2,165	(2,165)
Total charges to appropriations	<u>3,723,634</u>	<u>3,755,482</u>	<u>3,705,589</u>	<u>49,893</u>
Budgetary Fund Balance - Ending	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 679,200</u>	<u>\$ 679,200</u>

Combining Balance Sheet - Nonmajor Governmental Funds
December 31, 2013

	Library Fund	Blodgett Sewer	Recreation Revolving Fund	Conservation Fund	Beautification Committee	Veterans Memorial Fund	Blodgett Sewer Project	Hazard Mitigation	Common Trust Funds	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
Assets										
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,472	\$ -	\$ 10,414	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 11,886
Investments	-	117,953	-	184,696	-	-	-	-	125,696	428,345
Accounts receivable	-	24,852	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24,852
Due from other funds	-	14,398	-	227	10,914	100	-	39,900	-	65,539
Total assets	\$ 1,472	\$ 157,203	\$ 10,414	\$ 184,923	\$ 10,914	\$ 100	\$ -	\$ 39,900	\$ 125,696	\$ 530,622
Liabilities and Fund Balances										
Liabilities:										
Accounts payable	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,090	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Due to other funds	-	-	2,090	-	-	-	52,386	-	-	54,476
Total liabilities	-	-	2,090	-	-	-	52,386	-	-	54,476
Fund balances:										
Nonspendable	1,472	-	-	-	-	100	-	-	102,295	102,295
Restricted	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	39,900	23,401	64,873
Committed	-	157,203	8,324	184,923	10,914	-	-	-	-	361,364
Assigned	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unassigned	-	-	-	-	-	-	(52,386)	-	-	(52,386)
Total fund balances	1,472	157,203	8,324	184,923	10,914	100	(52,386)	39,900	125,696	476,146
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$ 1,472	\$ 157,203	\$ 10,414	\$ 184,923	\$ 10,914	\$ 100	\$ -	\$ 39,900	\$ 125,696	\$ 530,622

Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
Nonmajor Governmental Funds
Year Ended December 31, 2013

	Library Fund	Blodgett Sewer	Recreation Revolving Fund	Conservation Fund	Beautification Committee	Veterans Memorial Fund	Blodgett Sewer Project	Hazard Mitigation	Common Trust Funds	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total
Revenues											
Taxes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Charges for services	-	258,624	23,167	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	281,791
Miscellaneous revenues	3,774	42	6	160	13,946	-	-	-	43	-	17,971
Interfund operating transfers in	-	-	-	32,700	-	-	-	-	-	-	32,700
Other financing sources	-	-	-	-	-	-	15,938	-	-	-	15,938
Total revenues and other financing sources	3,774	258,666	23,173	32,860	13,946	-	15,938	-	43	-	348,400
Expenditures											
General government	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	3
Sanitation	-	142,244	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	142,244
Culture and recreation	5,061	-	17,876	-	14,693	-	-	-	91	-	37,721
Debt service	-	111,685	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	111,685
Capital outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,080	-	-	-	5,080
Total expenditures and other financing sources	5,061	253,929	17,876	-	14,693	-	5,080	-	94	-	296,733
Excess revenue and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses	(1,287)	4,737	5,297	32,860	(747)	-	10,858	-	(51)	-	51,667
Fund balances - beginning of year	2,759	152,466	3,027	152,063	11,661	100	(63,244)	39,900	125,747	-	424,479
Fund balances - end of year	\$ 1,472	\$ 157,203	\$ 8,324	\$ 184,923	\$ 10,914	\$ 100	\$ (52,386)	\$ 39,900	\$ 125,696	\$	476,146

Newbury Conservation Commission

When we know nature as the Mother's body and everything in nature as utterly sacred, then and then only, will we do everything in our power to preserve, honor and protect nature.

-Andrew Harvey

The Newbury Conservation Commission (NCC) is an advisory group to the Board of Selectmen, Planning Board, Zoning Board and Newbury residents. NCC also provides oversight to all permit applications from Newbury property owners to the NH Department of Environmental Services (DES). The NCC works closely with the Code Enforcement Officer (CEO) to review Buffer Zone Cut Applications and to ensure compliance with the town's Shoreland Regulations. The NCC also reviews and conducts site visits for Intent to Cut applications.

Throughout the year, the NCC works hard to honor the town's dedication to preserving its rural character, preserve the water quality of Lake Sunapee, maintain an environmentally sound approach to the surrounding watershed, and encourage all residents to better understand the impact of their day-to-day behavior on the environment.

In 2014 the NCC reviewed the following permits:

NH Department of Environmental Services

- Shoreland Impact Permit: 11
- Minimum Impact Expedited Wetlands Permit: 1
- Wetlands and Non-Site Specific Permit: 6
- Permit by Notification (PBN): 5
- Complete Forestry Notifications: 2
- Dredge and Fill Permits: 0

Town of Newbury

- Buffer Zone Cuts: 21
- Intent to Cut (Logging): 12
- Violations: 1
- Site Reviews for Planning Board: as needed

As in past years, the NCC provided advisory support to a number of projects from various groups and interested parties. Following is a partial list of the NCC activities:



Reflection of clouds on Lake Sunapee.

Photo courtesy Katheryn Holmes

Newbury Trail Map

A detailed examination of the existing Newbury Trail Map was conducted by NCC member Chuck Crickman. Working with Gerry Gold, Sunapee-Ragged-Kearsarge Greenway Coalition, Chuck developed a thoroughly user-friendly and accurate trail map complete with lively narratives describing each trail and hiking area in Newbury. The new Trail Map will be available in Spring 2015. Our thanks to Chuck for his dedicated work on this project.

Mount Sunapee Schoolhouse

The Newbury Historical Society (NHS) requested support from the NCC for collaboration to create a memorial to the Mount Sunapee Schoolhouse. The NHS located the remains of the school house foundation and intends to have the site suitably landscaped and erect a memorial plaque. Deane Geddes, NCC member, participated in the research of the site. The NCC looks forward to a continued collaboration with the NHS as the preservation efforts conclude in 2015.

Andrew Brook Trailhead and Parking Lot

In 2014, the NCC continued their collaboration with the Society of Protection of New Hampshire Forest (SPNHF) for a trailhead and parking lot at the Andrew Brook Trail off Mountain Road. Unfortunately, the design plans that were presented by SPNHF encountered extensive challenges presented by the topography of the location and the NCC could not support the plans as submitted. SPNHF made several attempts at designing an off-the-road parking lot to service the parking needs for hikers accessing the Andrew Brook Trail but, in the end, decided to withdraw their application. They may revisit this project in the future, but for now, parking access for hikers will remain along the side of Mountain Road.

Fish and Game Club in Bradford/Newbury

The NCC reviewed a funding request submitted by NCC ex-officio Richard Wright for a plan to preserve the land surrounding the Fish and Game Club that is located in Newbury.

A 501-c (3) non-profit group is spearheading the fundraising efforts to purchase the land. The possibility of an easement is being investigated through the Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust. Meanwhile, the NCC plans to revisit this project in 2015 when the Fish and Game Club returns with detailed plans and further research.



*Kathleen Stowell from LSPA visiting the
Tinker Club for H2o Olympics.
Photo courtesy Rosie Johnson*

Concord-Lake Sunapee Rail/Trail Project

The NCC hosted Tim Blagden from the Rail/Trail Committee for an informational meeting open to all town residents to discuss the Concord-Lake Sunapee Rail/Trail Project and Newbury's possible participation in the project. The Rail/Trail project proposes to use the old Concord-to-Claumont railroad bed as a walking and bicycle trail that would link all the towns

between those two locations. The informational meeting resulted in a clear indication that the property rights of the abutters to the railroad bed would be jeopardized. Therefore, the NCC and the Board of Selectmen voted to withdraw any involvement in the rail/trail project in Newbury.

Emerald Ash Borer Alert!

The Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) has been brought to our attention by area foresters and the Ausbon Sargent Land Trust (ASLPT). The EAB is an invasive insect that kills ash trees. The insect arrived in North America in 2002 and has already killed 100 million trees. Even though it cannot be contained or eradicated, it can be managed. The NCC urges all landowners to monitor their ash trees for signs of this insect. It has arrived in New Hampshire and it is simply a matter of time before it hits our trees in Newbury. For more information, please contact the NCC, ASLPT, or the UNH Cooperative Extension.

Wild Goose

The NCC is deeply disappointed by the December 2014 ruling of the NH State Supreme Court in favor of the NH Fish & Game's expanded plans for the proposed Wild Goose Boat launch. The NCC remains staunchly in favor of the original, smaller-scale proposal originally submitted. The issues of road safety, degradation of the lake, and compliance with the town's Shoreland Regulations continue to be troublesome and unanswered.

Buffer Zone Alert

There was a significant shoreland Buffer Zone Cut violation in 2014. The Buffer Zone prohibits tree cutting within 50-feet of the designated shoreland buffer zone in Newbury. The NCC urges all property owners to make sure they know the location of the buffer zone as it pertains to their property. For the aforementioned violation, a full restoration of the affected area was required of the property owner.

Please Note: There is a 50-foot "no-touch" buffer zone for tree cutting for all shoreland properties surrounding Lake Sunapee

in Newbury, and a 75-foot setback buffer zone for all streams. These regulations are in place to protect the longterm integrity of the lake, streams and watershed.

The NCC remains vigilant in its oversight activities to ensure that these regulations are upheld. Increased clear cutting activity and “tree topping” along the shoreline results in a serious negative impact on the lake environment and the surrounding watershed which feeds into the lake. The NCC urges every property owner to check with the NCC or the Code Enforcement Officer for guidance.



A hint of spring.
Photo courtesy Maureen Rosen

Finally, NCC members attended a wide range of workshops, conferences and seminars throughout the year in order to remain fully informed in all areas of conservation. Likewise, NCC retained memberships in a

number of organizations including the Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust (ASLPT), Society for Protection of New Hampshire Forest (SPNHF), the NH Association Conservation Commissions (NHACC), Lake Sunapee Protective Association (LSPA), the Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission (UVLSRPC), and the NH Association of Natural Resource Scientists (NHANRS).

I would like to thank my fellow Commissioners for their ongoing dedication and interest in the environmental issues and challenges facing our community. They are a great and talented group!

Katheryn C. Holmes, Chair

Eric Unger, Vice Chair

Charles Crickman, Bob Steward, Deane Geddes, Members

William Annabel, Sue Russell, Alternates

Richard Wright, Ex-Officio

Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust

The mission of the Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust (Ausbon Sargent) is to protect the rural landscape of the 12 towns of the Mt. Kearsarge/Mt. Sunapee region. The region includes the towns of Andover, Bradford, Danbury, Goshen, Grantham, New London, Newbury, Springfield, Sunapee, Sutton, Warner and Wilmot. Since our founding in 1987, Ausbon Sargent has completed 134 projects and protected 10,867 acres – including 14 working farms and over eight miles of lake frontage. All of these conservation lands must provide for some public benefit and two-thirds of these properties offer public access.

Quality of life is very important to the residents of New Hampshire and the state consistently ranks in the top ten as one of the best places to live in the United States. Our clean water, scenic places, and outdoor recreation factor into this ranking. Open spaces also contribute significantly to the economic wellbeing of the state and our communities. During 2014 Ausbon Sargent completed eight projects representing just over 645 acres. There was one project each in Newbury, East Andover, Danbury, Springfield, Bradford, Warner, Goshen and Wilmot.

Stoney Brook Project

After nearly two years of collaboration with a number of organizations and a successful fundraising effort, Ausbon Sargent closed on the Stoney Brook Project in Newbury in January 2014. As a result of the purchase and conservation of these 143.7 acres, two large blocks of conserved land in Newbury will now be connected. The combined acreage has created a permanent corridor of 1,168 acres running from Lake Sunapee's eastern shore to the Newbury/Sutton town line, including NH Audubon's Stoney Brook Wildlife Sanctuary, the Forest Society's Hay Reservation and the town-owned SRK Greenway corridor. NH Audubon now owns and manages the land and The Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust will steward it forever as one of its protected conservation

easements. Congratulations are in order to all who worked diligently on the many details of the project. Thank you to everyone, including the Newbury Conservation Commission, the Sunapee Hills Association, the Lake Sunapee Protective Association, the many individuals and business donors, and grant funders, all of whom made a contribution to fund the Stoney Brook Project. This past summer volunteers worked on a new trail on the property under the supervision of the SRK Greenway.

Trail Maps

Ausbon Sargent's website indicates which of the protected properties have trails open to the public. These trails, many of which cross privately owned land, are open to hiking, cross-country skiing and snowshoeing. The website includes trail maps and driving directions. For more information on these newly conserved properties, and all of Ausbon Sargent's protected properties, please visit our website at www.ausbonsargent.org. Also, check out our Facebook page.

Events

Ausbon Sargent hosted numerous events in 2014 that are available for our membership and the public to enjoy. In addition to our ever-popular fundraising events such as the Progressive Dinner in July and the Holiday Party in December, we hold many other events, which I encourage you to attend. The 3rd Annual Kearsarge Klassic Bike Event in conjunction with the New Hampshire Cycling Club was again held in September. A workshop "How You Can Help Wildlife Adapt to Climate Change" was sponsored by The Ausbon Sargent Outreach Committee and held at the Wilmot Community Association's Red Barn in November. Hikes were held at the Baptist Pond Trust easement in Springfield, the Garvey easement in Goshen and a Dragonfly Walk in Wilmot at the Sahler Property.

Volunteers

Ausbon Sargent is pleased to have over 200 volunteers providing year-round support for easement monitoring,

committee assignments and clerical work. In May we hosted a Volunteer Recognition Party in Sunapee as a thank-you to these loyal and talented volunteers. We are grateful to have so many giving members who provide financial support along with the countless hours which have assured our success. If you would like to join us in our work to protect these special places, please consider the following: become a conservation easement donor; support Ausbon Sargent financially; volunteer your time to the organization; encourage town officials throughout our 12-town region to conserve our rural character by supporting land conservation; and, most importantly, become a member of Ausbon Sargent.

Deborah L. Stanley
Executive Director

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Lake Sunapee Protective Association (LSPA)

It's all about the water!

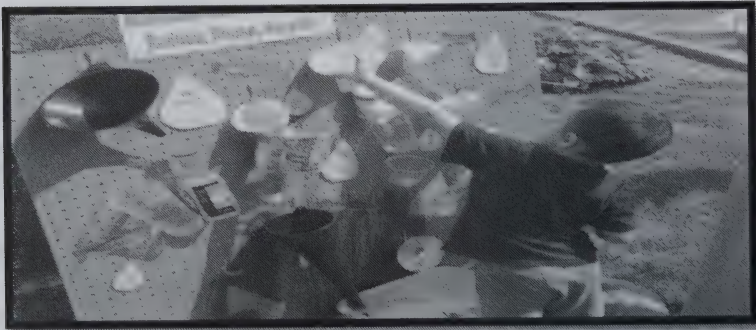
2014 was another busy year for Lake Sunapee Protective Association (LSPA), the 117-year old organization dedicated to lake and watershed protection, environmental education, and water science. More than ever, LSPA continues to be the “go-to” informational resource for a wide range of inquiries - from lake levels, injured loons, and mysterious aquatic and animal sightings, to watershed issues, legislative concerns, and waterfront property questions.

In 2014 LSPA:

- Brought environmental education to new heights with more programs in the three local school systems, including Kearsarge Regional. Environmental education programs were also held at area libraries, The Learning Center at LSPA, The Fells and other locales. The summer day camp at The Fells with the Newbury Recreation Dept. was a great success. (Thank you, Travis Dezotel!)
- Furthered scientific measurement of Lake Sunapee and its tributaries.
- Analyzed more water samples from regional lakes and ponds at the LSPA satellite lab housed at Colby Sawyer College. This lab is the only NH DES-certified lab outside of that department and does 30% of the DES Volunteer Lake Assessment Program (VLAP) water quality testing. The lab this year was outfitted with a new reverse osmosis system which removes phosphorus from the equipment for phosphorus analysis. This replaced a 14 year-old system.
- Acted as sentinel for aquatic invasive species. LSPA Lake Hosts inspected over 5,300 incoming boats to Lake Sunapee. Staff and volunteers combed the peripheral waters of Lake Sunapee for invasives as well.
- Collaborated with partners on watershed matters by working with the watershed towns, Upper Valley Lake

Sunapee Regional Planning Commission (UVLSRPC) and the state on the best ways to protect watershed resources.

- Hosted a record number of events that were enthusiastically well-attended including presentations on bats, bears, landscaping, aquatic critters, loons, septic systems, and solar energy (to name just a few!).
- Held our annual Love Your Lake Day and the accompanying Antique Boat Parade which were extremely well-attended.
- Hosted the Annual Full Moon (Super Full Moon in 2014) as a full-boat activity and it was fun for all. (Thank you to the Fentons for all their help!)
- Sent several staff members to regional and national conferences to keep informed of the latest techniques and trends.



*A budding water scientist at an educational program at LSPA's Love Your Lake Day.
Photo courtesy June Fichter*

Education

LSPA's educational programs were evaluated for how they fit into the new state's syllabus so the environmental programs complement required educational curriculum. Visiting classes from several schools within and outside of the Lake Sunapee watershed came to LSPA's Learning Center for programs, and the Trout-in-the-Classroom Program once again delighted school children this year in three different schools.

Science

The water quality of Lake Sunapee continues to be good, with phosphorus and conductivity (a stand-in for saltiness) below the levels found in many lakes. However, scientific testing shows that our levels are still on the rise, with overall water clarity slowly on the decline. This is why

watershed protection is so important. The water's pH is stable, but of concern is *Gloeotrichia*, a form of blue-green algae, which appears around July and lasts through mid-September. It was not seen in heavy blooms this year but has appeared regularly. Scientific research is ongoing to understand how this species grows and multiplies, and whether there are controls that might be implemented.



*LSPA Lake host inspecting incoming boats.
Photo courtesy June Fichter*

Aquatic invasives species (plant and animal) continue to pose threats to the lake and LSPA continues to research all methods of prevention and control. Fortunately, invasive milfoil did not raise its head again this year. The 16 plankton pulls for bivalve invasives done by LSPA staff revealed none present. The “Clean, Drain, Dry” prevention campaign continued.

Collaboration

In 2014, LSPA continued to work with partners such as Mt. Sunapee, Trout Unlimited, and NH Fish and Game on brook restoration. LSPA also won a grant for watershed protection to help in this effort.

LSPA began its own solar project, which should “go live” in early 2015. The project qualified for a grant to help with the purchase of the system. The 8KW system should greatly reduce LSPA's electric usage.

The Loons Are Back!

The loons nested this year on Lake Sunapee for the first time in over 40 years! Even though the eggs did not hatch, the loon parents were attentive and the Loon Preservation Committee (LPC) expects them to return in 2015. Another loon met its death from a fishing line tangled around its beak. Volunteers, LSPA and LPC tried to rescue the bird, but to no avail.

Join Us

LSPA is a member-supported non-profit organization. We wish to thank all our members, volunteers, and the Town of Newbury for their support!

*June Fichter
Executive Director*

Sunapee-Ragged-Kearsarge Greenway Coalition (SRKGC)

Founded in 1993, the SRKGC is a nonprofit, all-volunteer organization dedicated to promoting hiking and land conservation. The SRKGC, known as the Greenway, is a 75-mile long loop trail in 14 sections on state, town, and privately owned properties passing through ten area towns including Newbury. The Greenway links four state parks, three state forests and one NH state wildlife management area. Conservation easements on some of the private properties help to guarantee the future of trails which are vital to the area's quality of life and its tourism economy. Visit www.srkg.com for maps of all 14 trail sections.

With over 200 members, the SRKGC is a community-based organization governed by an active board of directors which oversees trail work, a newsletter, a web site, a trail guide book, a 3-season schedule of free public hikes, and an annual March meeting with a guest speaker and pot-luck supper open for all to attend. Adair Mulligan, from the Hanover Conservancy, was the speaker at our 2014 annual meeting in March.

Three parts of the trail pass through Newbury. One section begins in Sutton, at Kezar Lake, and crosses into Newbury over King Hill on its way to Chalk Pond. Another section goes from Chalk Pond along Sunset Hill and Bly Hill to the Trading Post near the harbor. From there, the Greenway climbs the Newbury Trail into Mount Sunapee State Park and down the Summit Trail into Goshen. We work with the Town of Newbury and the Newbury Conservation Commission on trail-related projects. If you use area trails please become a member of SRKGC.

Conservation of hiking trails and access to trail lands requires active collaboration with other local and state organizations. During 2014, SRKGC helped Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust and the NH Audubon purchase and conserve 145 acres of prime forest and watershed above Chalk Pond. Known as The Stoney Brook Project, the acquisition adds

significantly to the NH Audubon's wildlife sanctuary in Newbury and will add a spur trail from the Greenway. We also work closely with the NH Bureau of Trails and the State Trails Advisory Committee.

During 2014, a grant from the Quabbin-to-Cardigan (Q2C) Partnership enabled us to advertise trail workdays monthly in area publications, purchase tools and durable plastic blazes, and bring an expert trainer from the Appalachian Mountain Club to teach rock-moving skills. With leadership from the late Chad Denning, the first Emerald Necklace Stage Race was held on the Greenway. A three day stage race over the entire Greenway was a great success.

Elsewhere along the Greenway, our project days included clearing water bars and re-laying rock for better trail erosion on Mount Kearsarge, installing Greenway blazes in Sunapee, and building a short switchback trail on Ragged Mountain. On Mount Kearsarge, the SRKGC hosted a crew from the Student Conservation Association who worked for two weeks improving trails.

Nathan Richer
Town Director



*Author Dan Szczesny's hiking event at Sunset Hill.
Photo courtesy Rosie Johnson*

Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission (UVLSRPC)

The UVLSRPC has been providing professional planning assistance to municipal boards since 1963, when it was formed as the Upper Valley Development Council. The UVLSRPC is one of nine regional planning commissions in New Hampshire created to coordinate inter-municipal planning, act as a liaison between local and state/federal agencies, and provide advisory technical assistance on land use and development issues. The UVLSRPC serves 27 communities in Grafton, Sullivan, and Merrimack Counties.

In 2014, the UVLSRPC was engaged in more than 30 local, regional and statewide planning projects. The year was highlighted by the completion of the draft UVLSRPC Regional Plan (available online at www.regionalplan.uvlsrpc.org). The vision, goals and strategies presented in the Plan are the result of the largest public outreach process ever undertaken by the UVLSRPC. Public input included guidance from the UVLSRPC Regional Plan Advisory Committee, analysis of the 27 municipal master plans from the region's communities, participation at special events around the region, meetings with municipal leaders, an online forum specific to the UVLSRPC region, and a telephone survey of residents of the region. While the UVLSRPC Regional Plan is advisory in nature, purpose, and effect, the plan is intended to strengthen the decision-making capacity of local governments by providing information and guidance that can support municipal master plans and policies.

The UVLSRPC also adopted the UVLSRPC Regional Broadband Plan in 2014. Broadband access remains a substantial challenge for both rural communities and businesses in our region. The Broadband Plan details the availability – and gaps – of broadband services throughout our region, and identifies a series of strategies to achieve 20 Mbps Download/10 Mbps Upload speeds in all areas of our region by 2020. The

Regional Broadband Plan is available online at www.uvlsrpc.org.

This year, we witnessed the departure of several valued members of UVLSRPC. Christine Frost, who served as UVLSRPC executive director since 2007, departed to become the executive director of the North Country Council. Rachel Ruppel, the UVLSRPC GIS coordinator since 2007, relocated to Bend, Oregon with her family. Similarly, Yutian Zhang, the UVLSRPC finance manager since 2009, relocated to New Jersey with his family. We thank Christine, Rachel, and Yutian for all of their contributions to the UVLSRPC and wish them the best of luck in their new endeavors! Nathan Miller, the UVLSRPC planning director, was promoted to executive director in March 2014. Also joining the UVLSRPC are Gregori Somoff as finance manager, Amber Boland as GIS coordinator, and Meghan Butts as assistant planner.

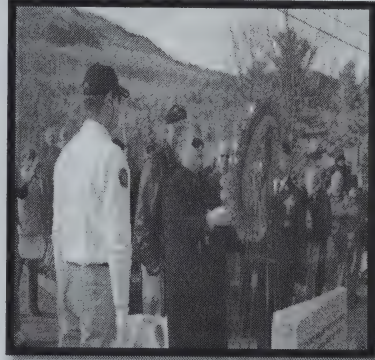
Nathan Miller
Executive Director



Ice on the trees.
Photo courtesy Cal Prussman

Veterans Memorial Committee

The Newbury Veterans Committee fulfilled its mission again this year. Activities concentrated on bonding the community around two patriotic events, Memorial Day and Veterans Day. Both holidays were celebrated at the Veterans Memorial in Newbury and were followed by community gatherings at Veterans Hall. On Memorial Day, a pancake breakfast was served and on Veterans Day, a chili luncheon. Certainly, the most significant event was honoring the family and the memory of the late Justin Rollins, KIA, at the Veterans Day commemoration.



*Rhonda Rollins laying the wreath in
memory of her son, SPC Justin
Rollins.*

Photo courtesy Maureen Rosen

The Veterans Committee also led the South Newbury July 4th Parade, manned a booth during Old Home Day, refurbished the South Newbury Veterans monument, installed new bricks and pavers at the Veterans Memorial, attended several area Veterans events and interments, and did regular maintenance at the Veterans Hall.

In addition to celebrating patriotic events, plans for 2015 include replacing the Veterans Memorial flag pole with a new 25-foot pole and staging Newbury's first flag retirement event – an opportunity to discard worn flags in a dignified manner.

The Veterans Committee is especially thankful for the work done by the Veterans associates in preparing the breakfast and luncheon, the Town of Newbury for its continuing support, and to the hundreds of residents who joined with us in the Memorial Day, Veterans Day and July 4th events.

*Bruce Barton
Chair*

Old Home Day

Old Home Day 2014 took place on a beautiful summer day and many Newbury residents came out to enjoy the varied activities that the annual event offered.

Velie Memorial Playground was awash with craft fair participants, farmer market stalls, live music, and the ever-popular Lil' Red Baron Mexican caboose. At the town office and library area, attendees wandered through a well-stocked book sale, tested their skills on a climbing wall, jumped aboard the Roaming Railroad, bounced around in the Bounce House, and tried out two new inflatables – an obstacle course and a giant slide.



*Even the llamas came to Newbury's
OHD fireworks.*

Photo courtesy Pam Bryk

The Bug Club Volkswagen Collection, a magic show, a performance by Mad Science, laser tag, and a pie eating contest rounded out the day's fun activities. The 3rd New Hampshire Regiment was also there to tell about events from history and the women members of the Regiment spent the day cooking food authentic to the 18th century.

Across the street from the Town Office, the Safety Services Building offered exhibits along with a tasty lunch. Heading down the street to the harbor, you could catch a ride on the pontoon boat for a small tour of the harbor area and see the many children cooling off in the water.

As the day came to an end, people enjoyed a roast beef dinner with friends and neighbors under the tent at the Town Office. A short walk to the harbor brought folks to the always-anticipated Rubber Duck race at the harbor and Dr. Harp's concert. The night came to an end with a memorable display of fireworks.

*Pam Bryk
Administrative Assistant*

**Town of Newbury, NH
Annual Town Meeting
March 11, 2014**

Moderator Nancy Marashio called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. The ballot boxes were examined and confirmed to be empty.

ARTICLE 1: To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

Voting on Article 1 of the town warrant began.

The business portion of the meeting was recessed until Wednesday, March 12, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the Mount Sunapee Spruce Lodge - second floor - off Route 103 in Newbury.

Business Meeting - Wednesday, March 12, 2014

Moderator Marashio called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Selectman Wright made a motion to approve the minutes of March 12, 2013 Town Meeting. Motion was seconded.

VOTE: All in favor.

Selectman Wright thanked the Beautification Committee for organizing and provided the ham and bean dinner with dessert prior to the meeting. On behalf of the town, he also thanked the owners and operators of Mount Sunapee for allowing the use of their facility for the annual Town Meeting. Flowers were presented to Linda Plunkett in recognition of her 25 years serving the Town as the Town Clerk and Tax Collector.

Henry Thomas, Fire Chief, presented the Palmer family with a resolution in memory of Chris Palmer, Lieutenant on the Newbury Fire Department for his 10 years of dedicated service.

Moderator Marashio explained the rules and procedures for conduct at the meeting and announced the results of the March 11, 2014 election.

Office of Selectman	James M. Powell - 167
Moderator	Nancy Marashio - 190
Treasurer	Jennifer Goin - 11
Trustee of Trust Funds	Daniel Wolf - 1
Cemetery Trustee	Charles A. Kennedy - 189
Library Trustee	Kevin Girard - 184
Library Trustee	Bradford C. Sherman - 182
Library Trustee	Patricia Sherman - 184
Planning Board	Russell Smith - 159
Planning Board	J. Ronald Williams - 153
Zoning Board of Adjustment	David Blohm - 43
Kearsarge Reg School Moderator	Brackett Scheffy - 185
Municipal Budget Comm.	Robert A. Hemenway - 178
Question 1	A - 129 B - 41
Question 2	Yes - 140 No - 51
Question 3	Yes - 148 No - 45

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,690,393 for general operations.

Motion to adopt Article 2 was made and seconded.
Discussion followed.

Dennis Pavlicek, Town Administrator, explained that the bulk of the increase in the town operating budget is due to salary and benefit adjustments and increased insurance costs. Also, there are three elections in 2014. Some of the line items are also offset by revenues, such as the cemetery and the assessor. He stated that the transfer station recycling is almost at 30%.

Bob Lee, Police Chief, reviewed the police budget by explaining discretionary vs. non-discretionary line items. He explained that part of the increase in the police budget is due to salary and benefit increases.

Andrew Davis asked for clarification regarding the use of the terms discretionary vs. non-discretionary and if the police department had a labor contract.

Chief Lee explained that there are certain line items in his budget that he has no control over, such as insurance costs that he would consider non-discretionary. He stated that the police department does not have a labor contract. Officers are at-will employees, and their pay rates are determined by the Board of Selectmen,

Mr. Davis asked Chief Lee to explain the process for conducting building checks.

Chief Lee explained that building checks on businesses are done randomly during the night shift. Building checks on residences are done as a courtesy for residents who request their home to be checked while they are away. Building checks are also conducted on town buildings. The checks are documented for record keeping purposes in case there is an incident, the time frame will help with a potential investigation.

Henry Thomas, Fire Chief, reviewed the fire/rescue department budget. He explained the increase in the fire department budget is largely due to the fact that the number of calls have increased, which impacts the fuel costs as well as payroll. Also, one of the fire engines needs to be refurbished.

Mr. Davis asked Chief Thomas to explain the ambulance coverage for Newbury and if there are any plans to address the lack of coverage.

Chief Thomas explained that the area Chiefs have been discussing this issue. Currently, we are waiting for Bradford to decide what it is going to do. Newbury has also been negotiating with New London Hospital and other Towns to share staffing.

Mr. Davis commented that Newbury should take responsibility to cover its own town. Our EMS is an excellent staff, but then they have to wait for an ambulance to show up.

Chief Thomas stated yes, the patient has to wait for an ambulance; but our EMS can sustain life, stop bleeding and comfort the patient and family members.

Mr. Davis agreed the EMS personnel is excellent, but commented that Newbury should have its own ambulance.

Chief Thomas commented that he will definitely put that on the agenda of the future EMS meetings. Perhaps Newbury can house an area ambulance in Newbury. The full time staffing and training would be difficult.

Clay Rucker asked Chief Thomas to explain the sudden increase in emergency calls.

Chief Thomas explained that auto accidents have increased, partially due to the weather conditions and partly due to collisions with animals (e.g. deer). Also, emergency alarms have increased, some are false, some are actual fire calls. All calls have to be answered, it is never known if it is a false alarm or real until the emergency personnel gets there.

Calvin Prussman, Highway Administrator, explained that the budget is in two parts; reconstruction and maintenance. Those lines are up due to salaries, insurance and fuel costs. Also, tree removal had additional funds due to specific trees that are going to require equipment the town does not have.

Richard Seabury commended the highway department on an excellent job maintaining the roads. He asked if the stone that was put down on Old Province Road is going to be extended.

Mr. Prussman commented that there are no plans to extend the stone on Old Province Road. The continuation of stone being put down on Rollins Road and Old Province Road is on hold until the federal government reimburses the town for FEMA expenses. No further grants have been made available at this point in time.

Mr. Seabury asked if the developer, Bob Bell, is still responsible for the paved section of Hearthstone Road. He expressed concern for the road deterioration.

Mr. Prussman advised that the town is responsible for Hearthstone Road and Mr. Bell is responsible for Meadow Road. He commented that once the weather breaks, he would go up and take a look at the areas of Mr. Seabury's concern.

Liz Tentarelli, Library Trustee, explained that last year the library hired a consultant who conducted several studies and provided several recommendations. Long range there will be double coverage at almost all open hours and a full-time assistant director with a part-time assistant director. Additionally, the library will be open on Fridays. There are over 100 programs, free of charge to the public; also there will be a homework club on Wednesdays. The building is now 15 years old, which means higher building maintenance costs.

Mr. Davis asked if Ms. Tentarelli had any specific numbers and/or attendance data for the programs.

Ms. Tentarelli gave an overview. There were over 18,000 patron visits, 23,000 items were checked out, and 109 programs. There are some visits from authors that have brought in over 60 people, preschool story hour usually has over 12 children, Fantastic Friday activities have over 11 children. The children's program attendance will increase in the summer with the children being on summer vacation and our summer resident population.

Andrew Davis made a motion to amend the Newbury, NH 2014 budget to the following: Level fund all budget lines to 2013 amounts with the exception of the Fire Department budget line item. Add \$248,088 to the Fire Department line item for the sole purpose of purchasing and equipping an emergency certified transport ambulance for the Town of

Newbury. New total town budget will be \$3,790,393. Motion was seconded. Discussion followed.

Mr. Davis commented that after asking several questions, he feels it is time for Newbury to take care of itself. The personnel are already there, they just need the tool to complete the job.

Mr. Pavlicek advised that per RSA 39:2, everything voted on must be publicized on the warrant in order to be considered. Procedurally, the public was not warned of the purchase of an ambulance, therefore, it is not legal to take that issue up at this point in time.

Moderator Marashio reviewed the RSA and ruled that the RSA's distinctly state that items to be voted on must be published on the warrant ahead of time.

Mr. Davis asked if the budget could be increased without using the word(s) ambulance.

Ed Thorson commented that he appreciates Mr. Davis' concern for the townspeople, but there is a lot more to it than purchasing a medical vehicle. People need to be organized and trained to drive and staff the unit.

Ms. Marashio ruled that the proposed amendment is out of order because procedurally it did not meet the legal requirement of RSA 39:2. Therefore, the question on the floor is back to consideration of Article 2 as published.

VOTE: Majority in favor. Article 2 was adopted as read.

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$184,000 to be placed in the following capital reserve funds: (Recommended by the Selectmen)

FIRE DEPARTMENT	\$60,000
HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT	\$110,000

AMBULANCE	\$3,000
RECREATION FACILITIES	\$11,000

Motion to adopt Article 3 was made and seconded.
Discussion followed.

Selectman Wright explained that this article is recurring every year and is self-explanatory.

Mr. Davis made a motion to amend Article 3 to increase the Ambulance capital reserve fund from \$3,000 to \$250,000. Motion was not seconded. Motion did not go forward.

VOTE: Majority in favor. Article 3 was adopted as read.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$43,000 to be placed in the following existing RSA 31:19-a maintenance expendable trust funds previously established: (Recommended by the Selectmen)

DOCKS	\$12,000
TOWN OFFICE EQUIPMENT	\$6,000
TOWN BUILDINGS	\$10,000
MILFOIL CONTROL	\$5,000
FD PERSONAL PROTECTION	\$10,000

Motion to adopt Article 4 was made and seconded.
Discussion followed.

Selectman Budd explained that this article is also recurring every year.

Mr. Rucker asked if there was an update on the status of milfoil in Lake Sunapee.

June Fichter, Director of Lake Sunapee Protective Association, explained that the milfoil is currently under control. There are other invasives that the LSPA is also concerned about. They are being tracked. There are some boats that have been launched

into Lake Sunapee that have come from other infested lakes. The LSPA tries to inspect boats being launched when and where they can, but they can't be everywhere all the time. At this point in time, no additional funds are needed.

Mr. Tentarelli asked if the MILFOIL CONTROL line should be reworded to INVASIVE CONTROL.

Ms. Fichter stated that it would be o.k. to leave it as is this year, but perhaps next year it would be a good idea to broaden the spectrum.

VOTE: All in favor. Article 4 was adopted as read.

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$268,000 for the purchase of a new grader, including plow and wing and furthermore to offset this amount by trading the old grader for \$35,000 and to authorize the withdrawal of up to \$233,000 from the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. (Recommended by the Selectmen)

Motion to adopt Article 5 was made and seconded.
Discussion followed.

Mr. Prussman explained that the current grader is 15 years old, with over 16,000 hours. The article asks for \$268,000. Based on a more accurate numbers, the proposed new grader is \$274,800 and the town will be getting \$45,000 for a trade-in on the old one, therefore, the actual amount needed from capital reserve is \$229,800.

Mr. Wright made a motion to amend Article 5 to read: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$274,800 for the purchase of a new grader, including plow and wing and furthermore to offset this amount by trading in the old grader for \$45,000 and to authorize the withdrawal of up to \$229,800 from the Highway Equipment

Capital Reserve Fund. Motion was seconded. No Discussion followed.

VOTE: All in favor. Article 5 was amended as read. Discussion on Article 5 as amended followed.

Mr. Rucker asked if there was something major failing in the grader and how much would it cost to overhaul the old grader.

Mr. Prussman explained that the old grader is eating up injectors and needs a new radiator. The purchase of a new grader is in the CIP plan. He estimated that it could be in excess of \$100,000 to fix all of the tired parts, \$30,000 for an engine and more than that for the transmission.

Mr. Wright commented that it would be wise to trade the old grader in while it still has some value. He pointed out that every time the grader breaks down, the maintenance schedule falls behind, roads don't get graded and snow doesn't get moved.

Mr. Prussman commented that it would take approximately three months to rebuild, and the department cannot afford to be without that piece of equipment for that long. He stated that he does not like leasing his equipment because he prefers not to pay interest and can then hold onto the equity in the equipment when it comes time to trade in.

David Blohm commented that it appears that this amount of money will just about wipe out the balance of that fund.

Deane Geddes, Capital Improvements Committee member, commented that the CIP committee is in favor of this article. He commented that next year there will be another years' contribution to begin building the balance back up.

VOTE: All in favor. Article 5 was adopted as amended.

ARTICLE 6: To see if the town will vote to establish a paving expendable trust fund per RSA 31:19-a, for the

paving and upkeep of town roads and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 to put in the fund; further to name the Selectboard as agents to expend from the fund. (Recommended by the Selectmen)

Motion to adopt Article 6 was made and seconded.
Discussion followed.

Selectman Wright explained that the Board of Selectmen would like to try to catch up on road maintenance. Over the past years the town has put the same amount of money in for paving, but the costs of materials have increased, which means less and less gets paved each year. This plan will increase each year by \$25,000 for three years to catch up on the deferred maintenance.

Dan Wolf commented that he would rather put all the money in the budget at once get it done as soon as possible. The more time it takes to save the money, the more time the roads get to deteriorate.

Selectman Wright commented that the Selectmen came up with this plan in an effort to not impact the budget too hard all at one time.

Mr. Wolf suggested that the town should put this article off until next year and put the whole \$150,000 in next year. It could be taken out of road reconstruction.

Mr. Prussman stated there are 33 miles of paved roads and 32 miles of gravel roads in town.

VOTE: Majority in favor. Article 6 was adopted as read.

ARTICLE 7: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$34,610 for a three-quarter ton pickup truck equipped with a plow and furthermore to offset this amount by trading in the existing truck, estimated to be \$7,000 and the balance come from general taxation.

This truck is used by the transfer station, Blodgett Sewer and the recreation department.

Motion to adopt Article 7 was made and seconded.
Discussion followed.

Selectman Wright explained that this truck would replace the grey pick-up, which currently has 70,000 miles. This trade is on schedule with the Capital Improvements Plan.

Al Bachelder commented that this truck should have been covered by the Capital Improvements Plan in order to spread the expense over years so the impact on the tax rate is minimized. If that is the case, then the money should be taken out of the Capital Reserve Fund and not funded by taxation.

Mr. Pavlicek stated that the truck is in the Capital Improvements Plan, but the reserve fund Mr. Bachelder is referring to is for highway vehicles only. This proposed truck is used by other departments. Since the cost of replacement is so low, a capital reserve fund was never set up.

VOTE: All in favor. Article 7 was adopted as read.

ARTICLE 8: To see if the town will vote to modify the Elderly Exemptions from property tax in the town of Newbury, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers to be as follows:

For a person 65 years of age up to 75 years:	\$45,000
For a person 75 years of age up to 80 years:	\$60,000
For a person 80 years of age or older:	\$75,000

To qualify, a person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least five years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married for at least five years. In addition, the taxpayer may not have a net

income of more than \$23,000; or if married, a combined net income of not more than \$34,500 and own net assets not in excess of \$75,000 excluding the value of the residence.

Motion to adopt Article 8 was made and seconded.
Discussion followed.

Mr. Pavlicek explained that this article was originally adopted several years ago with a lesser net income allowance. Several neighboring towns have increased the net income allowance already in an effort to adjust the maximum net income allowance to more current standards.

VOTE: All in favor. Article 8 was adopted as read.

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to modify the disabled exemption from property tax in the town of Newbury, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers to be as follows:

\$45,000

To qualify, a person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least five years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married for at least five years. In addition, the taxpayer may not have a net income of more than \$23,000; or if married, a combined net income of not more than \$34,500 and own net assets not in excess of \$75,000 excluding the value of the residence.

Motion to adopt Article 9 was made and seconded.
Discussion followed.

Mr. Pavlicek explained that this article is similar to Article 8 except that there is not age limitation and the criteria is based on ability.

VOTE: All in favor. Article 9 was adopted as read.

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$82,000 for the construction of a second athletic field at Fishersfield. The field will be 80 yards by 50 yards and furthermore authorize the transfer of \$45,000 from the existing Recreation Facilities Capital Reserve Fund. The balance of \$37,000 to come from general taxation. (Recommended by the Selectmen)

Motion to adopt Article 10 was made and seconded.
Discussion followed.

Travis Dezotell, Parks and Recreation Director, explained community participation in the Bradford/Newbury Youth Sports Organization has grown. He stated that there is a need for an additional soccer field within the district. This field would not be restricted to residency. There is already \$45,000 saved and this article asks for the remaining \$37,000 to come from taxation this year. The impact on a taxpayer with a \$250,000 home would be \$12.50 for one year only. This field will allow the Recreation Department to increase the number of soccer camp events and participants. An additional field will help protect the existing field from overuse. The field can also be used for lacrosse and ultimate frisbee. There are revenues that will increase from the existence of the field - tournament fees and the snack shack revenues. A newly developed field will need 10 - 18 months to mature before it can be used. Mr. Dezotell explained the proposed location of the field. At Fishersfield Park, there is enough space for a third field, a community garden and additional tennis courts.

VOTE: All in favor. Article 10 was adopted as read.

ARTICLE 11: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 to construct an addition at the Newbury Transfer Station.

Motion to adopt Article 11 was made and seconded.
Discussion followed.

Selectman Wright explained that there is a need for a small addition on the back of the building. After a State inspection earlier this year, it was brought to the Town's attention that certain items cannot be stored indoors. Also the patron foot traffic needs to be reorganized, doors need to be replaced, glass storage upgraded to increase efficiency and security.

VOTE: All in favor. Article 11 was adopted as read.

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$800 to be placed in the Cemetery Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund and authorize the transfer of \$800 from the December 31, 2013 undesignated fund balance for this purpose. Said sum represents the sale of cemetery lots in the prior fiscal year. (Recommended by the Selectmen)

Motion to adopt Article 12 was made and seconded.
Discussion followed.

Mr. Pavlicek commented that this is a housekeeping article recurring each year. The funds are used for cemetery maintenance.

VOTE: All in favor. Article 12 was adopted as read.

ARTICLE 13: To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Moderator Marashio thanked the Mount Sunapee operators and support staff for allowing Newbury to use this facility for the Annual Town Meeting.

Tina Desfosses asked Mr. Dezotell how many Newbury children play on the 10 soccer teams.

Mr. Dezotell stated that there were 39 Newbury children in 2013 out of 110 total. So far, 55 children have signed up. Even though children from other schools are allowed to participate, Newbury children will always have a spot.

Steve Winter made a motion to adjourn. Motion was seconded.

VOTE: All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

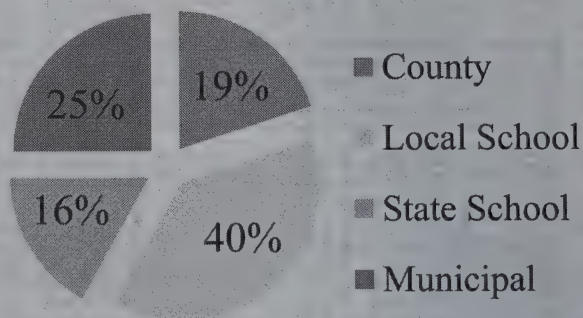
Respectfully submitted,

Linda Plunkett
Town Clerk

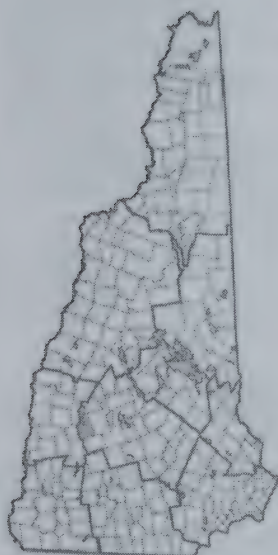
Your Tax Dollars 2014

County	\$2.99	19%
Local School	\$6.21	40%
State School	\$2.45	16%
Municipal	\$3.84	25%
Total	\$15.49	100%

Tax Dollars 2014



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Tourism Region
Planning Commission
Regional Development

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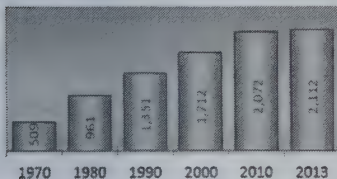
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Incorporated: 1778

Origin: Situated at the south end of Lake Sunapee, this town has had many names. The original grant by the Masonian Proprietors in 1753 named it Dantzic, after the Baltic seaport. A separate grant on adjoining land, the first provincial grant in 1754, was called Hereford, in honor of Edward Devereaux, Viscount Hereford. The grant was renewed in 1772 as Fishersfield, after Governor John Wentworth's brother-in-law John Fisher, and included both the Dantzic and Hereford grants. Fishersfield was incorporated in 1778 upon request of residents. The name was changed to Newbury in 1837, as suggested by settlers originally from Newbury, Massachusetts.

Villages and Place Names: Blodgett Landing, Edgemont, Mount Sunapee, Pine Cliff, South Newbury, Box Corner, Chalk Pond

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 331 residents in 1790



Population Trends: Population change for Newbury totaled 1,770 over 53 years, from 342 in 1960 to 2,112 in 2013. The largest decennial percent change was an 89 percent increase between 1970 and 1980, following a 49 percent increase between 1960 and 1970. The 2013 Census estimate for Newbury was 2,112 residents, which ranked 136th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

Population Density and Land Area, 2013 (US Census Bureau): 59.0 persons per square mile of land area. Newbury contains 35.8 square miles of land area and 2.3 square miles of inland water area.



Economic & Labor Market Information Bureau, NH Employment Security, November 2014. Community Response Received 5/19/2014

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MUNICIPAL SERVICES

Type of Government	Selectmen
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2014	\$4,359,603
Budget: School Appropriations,	Regional School District
Zoning Ordinance	1958/11
Master Plan	2008
Capital Improvement Plan	Yes
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	Planning Board

Boards and Commissions

Elected:	Selectmen; Planning; Zoning; Library; Cemetery;
	Trust Funds
Appointed:	Conservation; Recreation

Public Library **Newbury Public**

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Police Department	Full-time
Fire Department	Part-time
Emergency Medical Service	Part-time
Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance Staffed Beds
New London Hospital, New London	8 miles 25

UTILITIES

Electric Supplier	PSNH
Natural Gas Supplier	None
Water Supplier	Chalk Pond; private wells

Sanitation	Private septic & municipal
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	Limited
Solid Waste Disposal	
Curbside Trash Pickup	None
Pay-As-You-Throw Program	No
Recycling Program	Voluntary

Telephone Company	Fairpoint; TDS Telecom
Cellular Telephone Access	Limited
Cable Television Access	Yes
Public Access Television Station	Yes
High Speed Internet Service:	Business Limited
	Residential Limited

PROPERTY TAXES (NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)

2013 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$14.93
2013 Equalization Ratio	99.1
2013 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$14.81

2013 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type

Residential Land and Buildings	94.8%
Commercial Land and Buildings	4.4%
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	0.8%

HOUSING (ACS 2008-2012)

Total Housing Units	1,563
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached	1,503
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:	
Two to Four Units in Structure	54
Five or More Units in Structure	0
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units	6

DEMOGRAPHICS

(US Census Bureau)

Total Population	Community	County
2013	2,101	146,761
2010	2,072	146,445
2000	1,712	136,716
1990	1,351	120,618
1980	961	98,302
1970	509	80,925

Demographics, American Community Survey (ACS) 2008-2012

Population by Gender		
Male	1,044	Female 1,059

Population by Age Group

Under age 5	121
Age 5 to 19	368
Age 20 to 34	215
Age 35 to 54	629
Age 55 to 64	355
Age 65 and over	415
Median Age	46.1 years

Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over

High school graduate or higher	94.8%
Bachelor's degree or higher	38.3%

INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$ (ACS 2008-2012)

Per capita income	\$34,079
Median family income	\$80,341
Median household income	\$66,875

Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers

Male	\$59,135
Female	\$40,982

Individuals below the poverty level	9.3%
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LABOR FORCE (NHES - ELMI)

Annual Average	2003	2013
Civilian labor force	1,054	1,167
Employed	1,028	1,122
Unemployed	26	45
Unemployment rate	2.5%	3.9%

EMPLOYMENT & WAGES (NHES - ELMI)

Annual Average Covered Employment	2003	2013
Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	122	145
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 714	\$ 925

Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	2,321	2,251
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 556	\$ 810

Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	2,442	2,396
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 564	\$ 817

Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	258	208
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 558	\$ 729

Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	2,701	2,603
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 564	\$ 810

EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend:	Grades K-12 are part of Kearsarge Regional (Bradford, Newbury, New London, Springfield, Sutton, Warner, Wilmot)			District: SAU 65
Career Technology Center(s):	Sugar River Valley RTC, Claremont or Newport			Region: 10
Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools				
Grade Levels				
Total Enrollment				

Nearest Community College: **River Valley**Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Colby-Sawyer; Magdalen**

2014 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing)	Total Facilities:	Total Capacity:
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LARGEST BUSINESSES

	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Best Western Sunapee Lake Lodge	Motel	25	2000
Mount Sunapee Resort	Recreation area		1947
Baker Hill Golf Club	Golf Course		2002

TRANSPORTATION (distances estimated from city/town hall)

Road Access - US Routes	
State Routes	103, 103A, 103B
Nearest Interstate, Exit	I-89, Exits 12 - 12A
Distance	8 miles; 10 miles

Railroad	No
Public Transportation	No

Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation

Parlin Field, Newport	Runway	3,450 ft. asphalt
Lighted? No	Navigation Aids?	No

Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service

Lebanon Municipal	Distance	34 miles
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		1

Driving distance to select cities:

Manchester, NH	47 miles
Portland, Maine	132 miles
Boston, Mass.	97 miles
New York City, NY	270 miles
Montreal, Quebec	218 miles

COMMUTING TO WORK

(ACS 2008-2012)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	82.7%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	6.7%
Public transportation	0.0%
Walked	2.1%
Other means	2.1%
Worked at home	6.4%
Mean Travel Time to Work	34.2 minutes

Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2008-2012

Working in community of residence	18.0
Commuting to another NH community	72.0
Commuting out-of-state	10.0

RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

X	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
	Boys Club/Girls Club
X	Golf Courses
X	Swimming: Indoor Facility
X	Swimming: Outdoor Facility
	Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
X	Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
	Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
	Bowling Facilities
X	Museums
	Cinemas
	Performing Arts Facilities
X	Tourist Attractions
X	Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)
	Youth Sports: Baseball
X	Youth Sports: Soccer
	Youth Sports: Football
X	Youth Sports: Basketball
	Youth Sports: Hockey
X	Campgrounds
X	Fishing/Hunting
X	Boating/Marinas
X	Snowmobile Trails
X	Bicycle Trails
X	Cross Country Skiing
X	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
	Overnight or Day Camps

Nearest Ski Area(s): **Mount Sunapee**Other: **Fells Historic Site; Stoney Brook Sanctuary; NH Craftsman Fair**

Births

Registered in the Town of Newbury, NH for the Year Ending December 31, 2014

<u>Date</u>	<u>Child's Name</u>	<u>Birth Place</u>	<u>Father's Name</u>	<u>Mother's Name</u>
01/10/14	Mariano Vincent Marzelli	Concord, NH	Vincent Marzelli	Michelle Marzelli
01/10/14	Izabella Lee Davidson	Concord, NH	Padraic Davidson	Jessica Davidson
03/11/14	Ainsley Ann Marquis	Concord, NH	Keith Marquis	Mary Beth Marquis
06/10/14	Christopher Henry Paul Cautley	Lebanon, NH	Paul Cautley	Tara Faunce
08/18/14	Elyse Rose Kalpakgian	Newbury, NH	Aram Kalpakgian	Michele Kalpakgian

Marriages/Unions **Registered in the Town of Newbury, NH for the Year Ending December 31, 2014**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Groom/Person A</u> <u>Name</u>	<u>Groom/Person A</u> <u>Residence</u>	<u>Bride/Person B</u> <u>Name</u>	<u>Bride/Person B</u> <u>Residence</u>	<u>Place of</u> <u>Marriage</u>
02/14/14	Jeffrey W. Davis	Berwick, PA	Lisa S. Davis	Newbury, NH	New London, NH
05/31/14	Steven P. Hurd	Newbury, NH	Jessica A. Wheeler	Sutton, NH	Sutton, NH
06/07/14	William L. Krueger	Newbury, NH	Lisa M. Greaves	Newbury, NH	New London, NH
07/05/14	Dean Lebaron	Newbury, NH	Donna S. Carpenter	Newbury, NH	Newbury, NH
08/02/14	Paul G. Eglintine	Newbury, NH	Patricia L. Wells	Springfield, VT	Bradford, NH
10/11/14	Scott D. Astle	Newbury, NH	Tammy J. Lumbra	Newbury, NH	Jackson, NH
10/20/14	Hossam A. Elasrag	Lebanon, NH	Jennie M. Hochstrasser	Newbury, NH	Newbury, NH

Deaths

Registered in the Town of Newbury, NH for the Year Ending December 31, 2014

<u>Death Date</u>	<u>Decedent's Name</u>	<u>Death Place</u>	<u>Father's Name</u>	<u>Mother's Maiden Name</u>
03/30/14	Anna Howard	New London, NH	Peter Bassermann	Florence Daley
05/15/14	Sara Berg	Newbury, NH	Deane Geddes	Marilyn Shaffer
06/12/14	James Staub	Newbury, NH	Donald Staub	Lorna Zastrow
07/07/14	Bruce Macnayr, Sr.	Newbury, NH	Archibald Macnayr	Dorothy Ray
08/01/14	Robert Gagne	Lebanon, NH	Richard Gagne	Polly Pilsbury
08/17/14	Stephen Noyer	Newbury, NH	Robert Noyer	Joan Hickey
08/22/14	Helen Skarin	New London, NH	William Atchison	Elizabeth Walsh
09/30/14	Theodore Janericco	New London, NH	Jacob Janericco	Helen Curren
10/01/14	Francis Sevene, Sr.	South Newbury, NH	Francis Sevene	Marjorie Baker
10/07/14	Roberta Pichulo	New London, NH	James Connor	Margaret Cormier
10/16/14	E Ayer	Unity, NH	Harold Ayer	Martha Davis
12/24/14	Carol Vonette	Lebanon, NH	Louis Balban	Ann Urich

Newbury Service Directory

ALL EMERGENCIES: DIAL 911

After calling for Emergency help, please turn on all outside lights both during the day and at night to aid in locating your residence. If possible, have someone outdoors to meet the responding units.

FIRE DEPARTMENT (non-emergency)763-4403
POLICE STATION (non-emergency).....763-4104
POLICE DISPATCH.....763-2221

Selectmen's Office

763-4940 ext. 202

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 8:00 a.m. – Noon

Selectmen meet every two weeks on a rotating schedule of

Monday nights at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Office

See posted meeting schedules for dates.

Fax: 763-5298

www.newburynh.org

E-mail: townadmin@newburynh.org

Town Clerk & Tax Collector's Office

763-5326

Monday: 1:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday – Friday: 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

(Closed from 12:00 – 1:00 p.m.)

Code Enforcement Officer

763-4940 ext. 203

Appointments Recommended

Monday: 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Wednesday: 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Friday: 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Library
763-5803

Sunday: Noon – 5:00 p.m.
Monday: Noon – 8:00 p.m.
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Closed Friday
Saturday: 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Transfer Station
763-2289

Monday: 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Wednesday: 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Saturday & Sunday: 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Land Use Coordinator
763-4940 ext. 201

Call for Zoning and Planning Board information.

Planning Board meets at 7:00 p.m. on the third Tuesday of the month at the Town Office. Zoning Board meets on an “as needed” basis on the second Monday of the month at the Town Office.

Forest Fire Warden: Dave Smith938-5925

Town Highway Department938-5494



A little snow for the Holidays
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